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HANKOW CRISIS PASSING.

VICTORS' ENTRY EXPECTED WITHOUT FIGHTING.

HOW EX-BRITISH CONCESSION WAS BARRICADED.

CHINESE SATISFACTION.

Although the actual fall of Hankow has yet to be reported, it is known that General Tang Seng-chi has left and that the peaceful entry of the Nanking forces is imminent. Latest reports show that the situation within Hankow itself has improved since yesterday's reports. The Chinese Municipal authorities have erected barricades around the ex-British Concession and large numbers of additional troops have been drafted in to keep order.

The Chinese at Shanghai and Nanking are naturally jubilant at the success of the Nanking forces, inasmuch as such promises quieter conditions on the Yangtze, with consequent better trade.

The most interesting news from Canton to-day is that, at a special meeting held there yesterday, it was decided to agree to the suggestion made from Nanking that the Kuomintang Conference should be held in Shanghai. Mr. Wang Ching-wei and General Li Chai-sum were appointed delegates to Shanghai and are expected to leave for the North this week. The above decision was come to in consequence of a telegraphic request from Marshal Chiang Kai-shek.

CANTON AGREES WITH NANKING.

Hankow, Nov. 13. Tang Seng-chi has gone and it may be safely assumed that Hankow will fall under the control of the Nanking faction to-morrow or Tuesday.

It is very satisfactory that the Chinese Municipal authorities have made every effort to guard against disorder, large numbers of additional troops have been drafted in to prevent any possible disturbances, while barricades have been erected in the ex-British Concession.

No further fighting is reported. On the other hand, negotiations between Nanking and Ho Chien are reported to be pursuing a peaceful course.—*Naval Wireless.*

THE FALL OF HANKOW.

Shanghai Chinese Jubilant.

Shanghai, Nov. 13. General satisfaction is expressed at the present situation along the Yangtze and the Chinese are jubilant at the impending fall of Hankow into Nanking hands.

The Nanking armies are negotiating with those remaining in authority at Hankow, and the probabilities are that the city will be occupied without further show of force. It is not thought that the change of control will materially affect the situation as far as foreigners are concerned.—*Naval Wireless.*

TANG'S DEPARTURE.

Hankow Awaits Conquerors.

Hankow, Nov. 13. The bulk of General Tang Seng-chi's troops have left for Yochow. General Ho Chien holds Hanyang. It is believed that Ho Chien is treating for peace with the Nanking forces. Further fighting is unlikely. The Nanking troops are expected on Tuesday.

The concessions are quiet and there is no excitement.—*Reuter.*

THE NORTHERN WAR.

Severe Fighting at Tsaochow.

Peking, Nov. 13. A telegram from Tsinanfu states that the Chihli-Shantung allies claim to have repulsed the Kuominchun attack in the vicinity of Tangshan, within the Kiangsu border. Somewhat severe fighting has been proceeding since the 10th inst. in the vicinity of Tsaochow and Tingtao.—*Reuter.*

CANTON EVENTS.

A CAMPAIGN AGAINST BANDITS.

POLITICS AND THE SCHOOLS.

A new scheme for the extermination of the bandits of Kwangtung has been put before the Canton Military Council by General Li Chai-sum, and as a result a committee, called the "Bandit Suppression Committee," has been formed. In General Li's proposal two expeditions, consisting of units of the 11th, 12th, and 13th Divisions of the Canton Army, will be sent out one after the other.

The first expedition will cover the Loong Mun, Tsung Shin, Nam Ho, Heung Shan, Shun Tak, Pun U, Tung Koon, and Po On districts. The second expedition will be directed along the West and East River districts.

These two expeditions having been accomplished, the Farmers' Corps and Village Volunteers of the above-mentioned places will be re-organised, when Government assistance will be rendered so that they may be better equipped with arms and ammunition for the purpose of protecting their respective villages and districts against bandits.

A few days ago, it was officially reported that bandits and rebels who made an attempt to capture Linchow and Pakhoi, on the southern border of Kwangtung, had been suppressed.

According to General Ho Chun-fan, the chief of the Cantonese armies at Pakhoi, bandits have been driven out of the city since October 31, while the report from Linchow also state that bandits have been routed. From Pakhoi to Linchow is but a day's journey.

Students To Turn "Left."

Since the return of the "Leftist" Kuomintang politicians to Canton, not a few of the higher educational institutions in the city have had to change their managements, and "Leftist" politicians have become directors and chief of the various colleges, according to a Canton report.

Mrs. Chan Kung-poh, the wife of the famous "Leftist" politician, has been appointed head mistress of the Kwangtung Normal Girls' College. Other educational institutions, including the First Kwangtung Middle School and the Second Kwangtung Middle School have also been subjected to such changes, "Leftist" members of the Kuomintang being placed as their chiefs.

Proceeding, the report says, that Chan Kung-poh and Ku Man-yu, both "Leftist" leaders, have been named as possible candidates for the posts of president and vice-president respectively of the Chung Shan University in Canton.

Such changes are primarily due to the "Leftists" intending to further their propaganda work among the students, whom they regard as ready tools to use for their own ends.

Women Communist Suspects.

Regarding the Women Communists suspects who were arrested and put in prison by the Canton Government during the anti-Red campaign on April 15, this year, the Commissioners of the Women's Department in the Canton Provincial Kuomintang Association recently tendered an appeal to the Government, entreating that freedom be restored to these imprisoned suspects.

The petition declares that the women suspects have been put in prison for no less than six months, and have not so far been found guilty by the Government. If legitimate evidence is lacking to confirm that they are Communists, then in accordance with the Kuomintang rule on the rights of women their early release should be granted by the authorities.

Sun Yat-sen Memorial Hall.

The erection of a hall in Canton to commemorate the founder of the Kuomintang, Dr. Sun Yat-sen, has been the subject of much talk and general discussion for some months, among Kuomintang members in Canton.

For considering of this hall certain Commissioners have been elected, including Mr. Sun Fo, the Nanking Finance Minister, and son of the late leader, and a few others. Recently, with the return of several prominent Kuomintang members to Canton, talk about this hall has been revived, and the Government a few days ago requested Mr. Yeung Sai-ngam, the former Finance Minister of Canton, to come up from Hongkong to Canton to direct affairs concerning the building of the memorial hall. It is now stated in a Canton report that construction work will be started soon.

THE DEEPER NOTE OF ARMISTICE DAY.

BRITAIN'S KEEN DESIRE FOR PEACE.

"A GREAT RESURGENCE."

As is usual on Sunday following Armistice Day there was a great pilgrimage to-day to the Cenotaph and Unknown Warrior's Grave in Westminster Abbey. A continuous, slowly moving, queue, some hundreds of yards long, was marshalled by mounted police and as the mourners passed the memorial, flowers were dropped at its base. It is generally agreed that a deeper note of seriousness and restraint has marked the celebrations of the anniversary this year, and there has been an absence of any taint of exultation. The feature of all speeches and newspaper comment has been an earnest demand—that the maintenance of peace shall be Britain's main aim. The Prince of Wales, appeal to seek peace and to ensure it has been wholeheartedly endorsed in all its implications in the press and the *Sunday Times* says that a great resurgence of the will to peace into the terms of British policy has, above all things, emerged from the armistice ceremonies.

Record Poppy Sale.

One of the organisers of the British Legion Poppy Fund, referring to the Armistice Day sale of poppies, says there is every possibility that the sum of £500,000 which was aimed at, was passed on Friday. Thirty million poppies were distributed throughout the country and over two million leaflets and posters were issued in connection with the effort.—*British Wireless.*

Hongkong's Effort.

Figures available this morning show Hongkong's Poppy Day effort to be the most successful ever, last year's record being exceeded by nearly ten per cent. It is calculated that the Hongkong total will be in the neighbourhood of £17,000, out of which expenses amounting to between \$300 and \$400 will have to be deducted.

If the outpourings have responded to the Appeal in the same measure China hands will have done their share towards the achievement of the £500,000 mark.

The Misses Margaret Baker, Middleton, Dalrymple, Cousins and Mrs. Hanlon collected over \$270 in East Point, while the Misses B. McCubbin, J. Haig, G. Spiers, C. Weir, B. Bone and G. McNeill who canvassed Tai Kok Docks realised over \$175.

BRITISH CONTRACT EXPECTED.

THE ABYSSINIAN DAM QUESTION.

London, Nov. 13. A definite proposal by the British Government for the construction of the Tsan dam on the Blue Nile by British engineers, says the *Observer's* diplomatic correspondent, is at present before the Abyssinian Government, and it is assumed by everyone concerned that the contract will be British.—*Reuter.*

TO LIBERATE THE "OPPRESSED."

SOVIET CONSIDERATION FOR CHINESE.

Moscow, Nov. 13. The Soviet world congress has concluded, after passing a resolution to appeal to sympathisers to struggle for the liberation of the oppressed peoples, primarily the Chinese.—*Reuter.*

UP AGAINST IT.

TROTSKY AND ZINOVIEFF NOT WANTED.

Moscow, Nov. 13. The official Tass agency states that party organisations all over Russia are passing resolutions urging the immediate exclusion from the party of Trotsky, Zinovieff, and other opposition leaders, and their release from their duties.—*Reuter.*

PASSENGER CASE.

CAPTAIN AND OWNER FINED.

IMPORTANT DECISION.

At the Marine Court this morning, before Commr. G. F. Hole, the case which was adjourned sine die on July 27, against Captain Madsen, master of the Tai Fook Sing, and Mr. Hook Guan Hong, owner of the same vessel, charged with carrying more than 12 passengers without the necessary license was resumed.

At the previous hearing, both defendants pleaded not guilty. They were defended by Mr. M. K. Lo, who stated that, while it was not denied that more than 12 passengers were carried, there were certain points of law to be advanced, which had a distinct bearing on the case.

The Tai Fook Sing was a Chinese vessel registered at Canton, and running under the Chinese flag. It was not the desire of the owners to put any blame on the captain, who in turn was under the impression that a ship entering Hongkong had no need to carry a Hongkong certificate in respect of passengers. There had been no intention of smuggling passengers into Hongkong. Section B of the Ordinance laid it down that a "certificate of equivalent value" would be accepted as a legal requisite, but his Worship pointed out that such matters were regulated by Orders in Council.

The vessel had previously run between Hongkong and Saigon said Mr. Lo, but the passenger certificate granted then, had expired some nine months before. A further certificate was produced from the Canton authorities, but his Worship was not prepared to accept it as "equivalent value" without reference. Mr. Lo stating that in the event of an adverse decision, he would be compelled to take the matter to a higher court. His Worship came to the conclusion that he must refer the matter to the Governor-in-Council.

To-Day's Proceedings.

This morning's proceedings were the result of this submission and were against defendants.

The pronouncement was that the Hongkong Government were not prepared to accept the Canton passenger certificate as "equivalent value," and a fine of \$25 was inflicted on the master, with an alternative of one month's imprisonment, and \$100 fine on the owner, with the alternative of three months' imprisonment.

His Worship added that, this was in the nature of a test case, and only a nominal fine was being inflicted. The full penalty for such breaches of the regulation totalled \$13,100.

Mr. M. K. Lo asked that his Worship would grant him an interview in chambers, with a view to discussing future cases bearing on the validity of passenger certificates, and this was granted.

INDIAN COMMISSION BOYCOTTED.

A MADRAS MANIFESTO.

Madras, Nov. 13. It is understood that the National Congress working committee has passed a resolution in favour of boycotting the Statutory Commission, and calling on all members of the Congress and legislators not to assist the commission in any way.—*Reuter.*

Later.

All parties in the Indian National Congress have adopted a manifesto in favour of a boycott of the Statutory Commission. The signatories include Mrs. Annie Besant, Mr. Srinavasa Aiyangar, the president of the Congress, and Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru.—*Reuter.*

Catania Also Joins In.

Catania, Nov. 13. The leaders of all parties and communities, at a private conference called to discuss the question of an effective boycott of the Statutory Commission, have decided to hold a public meeting in the town hall on November 16, at which a resolution proposing a boycott will be moved.—*Reuter.*

REFORM OF PRAYER BOOK.

MUCH OPPOSITION IS EXPECTED.

PARLIAMENT TO DECIDE.

London, Nov. 13.

A measure authorising the reform of the English Prayer Book, which recently received the approval of the Church Assembly, will come before Parliament within the next few weeks, and if the requisite majorities are forthcoming in both Houses, it will at once take effect.

Parliament may reject, but is not empowered to amend, it.

It seems probable that there will be considerable opposition to the revision. Dislike of certain of the proposed changes is strongly emphasised in a letter which is published to-day from the Home Secretary, Sir William Joynson Hicks, who is expected to be the principal spokesman in Parliament of the evangelical party. He suggests the measure should be referred back to the Church Assembly, which might meantime embody in a separate measure those parts of the new book about which there is almost general agreement.—*British Wireless.*

FRANCO-AMERICAN TARIFFS.

HOW THE AGREEMENT WILL WORK.

Paris, Nov. 13.

Referring to the Franco-American tariff agreement, the *Petit Journal* says that, with certain reservations, the decrees will indicate a return to the *status quo* and America will find herself in the same privileged position with regard to France as last August.

The tariff on American goods will be reduced to the former level, and the tariffs paid by America lower than the minimum granted to Germany will be raised to that minimum.

Finally, if the French obtain the expected satisfaction as a result of the present enquiries being made in America with a view to eventual lowering of tariffs affecting French products, France will consider the possibility of extending most-favoured-nation treatment to certain classes of American goods which do not receive benefit under the provisional agreement of the French minimum tariff.—*Reuter.*

CHINESE CONSUL'S INTERFERENCE.

PHILIPPINES GOVERNOR DISPLEASED.

Manila, Nov. 13.

It is learned that Acting Governor-General Gilmore is expected to ask for the recall of the Chinese Consul-General, Mr. In Go-hwang, on the grounds that the latter has unduly interfered with the defeat of the Chinese Registration Act in the legislature, which was a measure designed to check the illegal entry of Chinese to the Philippines, and was recommended by the Federal Government, which had become alarmed by the increasing influx.

In Go-hwang admits lobbying in the Philippine Senate, and says that he considered it proper.—*Reuter.*

PALESTINE MUSEUM.

MR. ROCKEFELLER'S GIFT.

Jérusalem, Nov. 13.

The Palestine Government is accepting the munificent offer by Mr. J. D. Rockefeller of \$2,000,000, for the erection of a museum, on condition that the building be completed within three years. The Government is already negotiating for a site.—*Reuter.*

DR. NANSEN HONoured BY AMERICANS.

Oslo, Nov. 13.

At a dinner at the American Legation, the American Minister presented Dr. Nansen, with a medal from the Explorers' Club, of New York.—*Reuter.*

HUNAN UNREST.

THE INFLUENCE OF TANG SENG-CHI.

BRIGANDS AND COMMUNISTS.

As far as external appearances go, Changsha is not very different from what it was last April and is certainly much pleasanter, writes a Hunan correspondent of the *North-China Daily News*. There are no anti-foreign posters on the streets, the shopkeepers are delighted to welcome foreign customers, and though all the small children have not forgotten how to shout "Down with the imperialists," the formula has generally changed to "Foreign teacher, are you well?" There were great celebrations recently in memory of the glorious revolution. The government inculcated processions and meetings, speeches and plays were to be given in the Educational Square, the scene of the April massacres; in the evening a lantern procession was to trail round the town. Stages were erected for the entertainment, the streets decorated with greenery and lanterns; placards showing the "People's Three Principles" as a light guiding the good citizens of China to peace and happiness covered the wall and the people of Changsha gave themselves up to a day of rejoicing over the Revolution and over the returning prosperity of the city due to the abundant harvest and the restoration of the silver coinage.

All Not Yet Well.

There was but one reminder that all is not yet well with Hunan. In the middle of the speeches, some one on the outskirts of the crowd threw a bomb and the people scattered in terror. The streets were cleared, arrests made, martial law proclaimed, and the procession abandoned, but the ringleader escaped, and as long as this and other activities show that the Communists are still at work there can be no hope that the worst has already happened. Sooner or later most people believe that the Communists will regain their power.

Opinions vary as to the prospect of a peaceful winter in Hunan. The officials say confidently that the present government will last a year at least and proudly point out their achievements and reforms.

Tang Seng-chi is looting after the affairs of Changsha very closely, as he has of course always relied on Changsha as a refuge, and he has stationed a number of his picked troops here to support the administration. Though some of the officials are the same men who allowed the April Terror, others are new young foreign-trained students with immense faith in their ability to maintain order and to establish prosperity immediately. The Communists are being sternly suppressed. A list of supposed Communists has been prepared and every day two or three are executed on the new motor road just outside the East Gate. The unions are all said to have been dissolved; public meetings and processions are forbidden; and Chouan, the oldest girls' school has been confiscated as its students were always said to be "red" in sympathy.

The proclamation that no middle schools were to open this term still stands, but by now no fewer than eight institutions have obtained permission to hold revision classes. Each student, however, must register, his record is carefully scrutinized and all school unions are forbidden. A few days ago the police made a systematic tour of all the schools in the city, primary and middle, and searched the premises for communist literature.

Important Currency Question. The currency seems to be normal. There is plenty of silver and copper about and no paper is in use. During July and August salaries and accounts were paid in paper, and many individuals and businesses lost very heavily, but a great deal of silver is going up to Changsha by every boat. Plans were made to start a Bank of Hunan, and more than \$30,000 was spent by those interested in printing bank notes, but Tang Seng-chi on his last visit refused to authorize the company and the notes are being burned in great bonfires outside the station. It is proposed to have a State Bank of Hunan, Hupeh and Kiangsi and to use the money recently extracted from the Bank of Communications for this purpose. The most important factor that makes for peace is the harvest, which, contrary to all expectations, is abundant. Rice which is \$8 in Hankow is only \$4 here, and the price of other foodstuffs is also low.

Important Currency Question.

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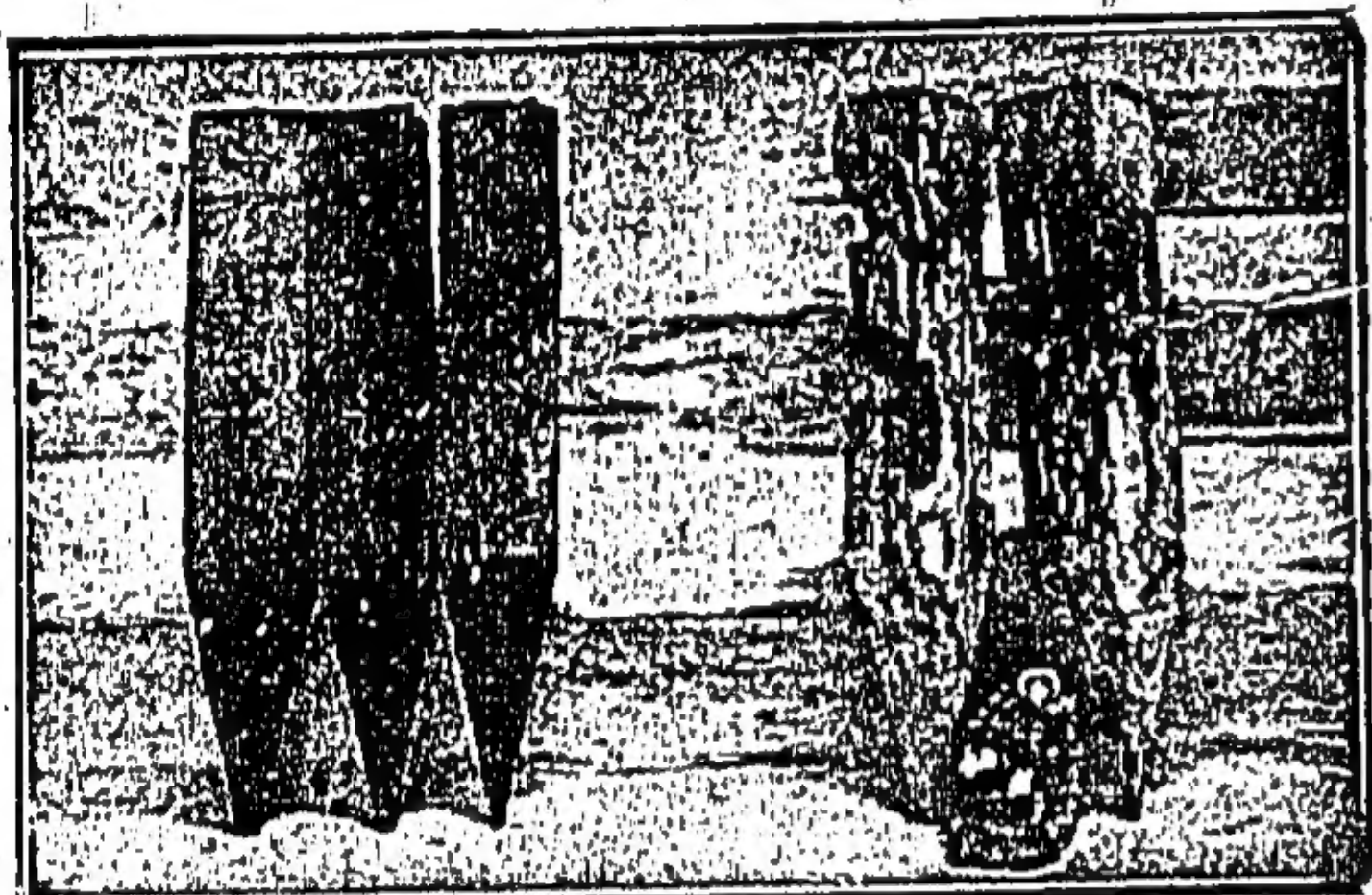
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ST. PETER'S GARDEN FETE.

A SUCCESSFUL FUNCTION.

The first garden fete of the St. Peter's Church Young Men's Club on Saturday received substantial support from the public and from all accounts it would appear that the results far exceed the most ambitious dreams of the organisers.

Every stall, raffle and side show received good patronage and on the whole, arrangements were satisfactory and left little to be desired.

The fair was officially opened by Mrs. W. T. Southern at 2.45 p.m. She was received by the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G., L.L.D., patron of the Club and by the Rev. N. V. Halward, (Chairman). The Guard of Honour was composed of members of the fifth Hongkong Troop of Boy Scouts.

In welcoming Mrs. Southern and in asking her to open the fete, Dr. Kotewall said:

On behalf of the members of St. Peter's Church Young Men's Club, I have great pleasure in extending to Mrs. Southern a most hearty welcome, and our warmest thanks for her kindness in coming to open the fete. (Applause). This fete has been organised for the purpose of raising funds for St. Peter's Church, the Kowloon Blind Home, a new division of St. John's Ambulance Brigade, and the Club itself. All these institutions are worthy of your support, and I hope and believe that it will be forthcoming this afternoon in a tangible form and on a liberal scale. (Heard, hear).

The Committee has also asked me to take advantage of this occasion to give a short account of the Club—its history, and its objects and aims. St. Peter's Club came into existence a little over a year ago, as the direct result of Sir Cecil Clementi's suggestion for the formation of a Concord Club as a common meeting ground for people of all races and creeds. A few eager young spirits had the vision to see the possibilities of that idea, and the practical insight to realise that it would be best to begin among the younger people with their greater adaptability and quicker enthusiasm. The promoters were fortunate in securing the interest and support of His Lordship the Bishop of Victoria, of the Rev. Copley Moyle and the Rev. N. V. Halward, who became respectively the President, Vice-President, and Chairman of the Club.

Many Activities.

The Club to-day has over two hundred members, and its activities cover a wide field. It caters for the social, spiritual, physical and intellectual life of its members, with more than a passing thought for the welfare of people who are less fortunate. It has organised picnics for the poor blind, and entertainments for sailors and soldiers. Its debates have become quite an important feature in the intellectual life of the community, judging by the wide and keen interest they have provoked. It has been a matter of regret to me that I have not attended any of these literary contests; but I must admit that on one or two occasions I was kept away, not by pressure of work nor by previous engagements, but by the intimidating character of the subjects to be discussed. (Laughter). Is it better to have loved and lost than never to have loved at all? (Laughter). The Club in solemn convocation has decided that it is not. Are early marriages desirable? I forget what the verdict was. For my part, I should like to be given another fifty years of life before I would venture to tackle these formidable problems! (Laughter). But the young fellows of St. Peter's and their young charming lady-friends know all about such matters. (Laughter). I have been informed by our indefatigable joint-secretary, Mr. George Zimmerman, that Mrs. Southern may one

WEDDING BELLS.

PRETTY CEREMONY AT ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.

A pretty wedding was solemnised at St. John's Cathedral on Saturday afternoon, the Rev. Copley Moyle officiating.

The contracting parties were Miss Violet Winifred May, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. T. May, and Mr. George Thomas Padgett, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Padgett, of Upper Belvedere, Kent, England.

The bride wore a dress of white charmeuse, in medieval style, embroidered with pearls and orange blossoms, and she carried a bouquet of white roses and white heather.

Miss Joyce Thornhill was the bridesmaid, and Master John Thornhill and Miss Margaret Dixon were the trainbearers. The bridesmaid wore a dress of powder blue taffeta, trimmed with silver lace and pink georgette, with hat to match. She carried a bouquet of pink roses.

The bride's mother wore a dress of old gold georgette and lace. The bride was given away by her father.

Mr. R. W. Smith performed the services of best man, and Messrs. G. G. Thomson and M. Arnold acted as groomsmen.

After the ceremony, a reception was given at the Hongkong Hotel Roof Garden.

The honeymoon is being spent at Repulse Bay and afterwards at Manila, the bride's going-away dress being of pink georgette, with a satin coat and hat to match.

day honour a Club debate with her gracious presence, (applause) and may even taken part in the logomachy. Let us hope that the Committee will select a subject that will call into full play the scintillating wit and literary charm of that delightful author, "Bella Woolf." (Applause).

Justified its Existence.

You may be interested to learn that among the members of the Club are to be found people of various races—British and Chinese, French and Portuguese, Parsees and Siamese; and also men of such diversified religious beliefs as Christians, Jews, Buddhists, Mohammedans, and even Rationalists, if their belief could be called religion. It is this non-Sectarian character of the Club which permitted me to accept the honour of becoming its Patron, and which is such a pleasing feature in the amenities of the institution. There is no doubt that the Club has been and is rendering a useful service to the community. But it could not have achieved half of what it has without the kind interest and support of the Press and other friends, and the splendid work of all members of its Committee, particularly the Rev. Mr. Halward and the joint secretaries, Mr. Peter Pau and Mr. George Zimmerman. Mr. Halward has been a wise and inspiring friend, while Mr. Zimmerman has laboured with the zeal of a crusader and the zest of a newly-appointed lance-corporal. (Laughter). Ladies and gentlemen, I think you will all agree that St. Peter's Club has already justified its existence; and I am confident that with the continued support and encouragement of the public, it will in a large measure realise the high ideals and lofty aims which constitute the guiding principles of its being.

I now ask Mrs. Southern to open the fete.

Doing Valuable Work.

Mrs. W. T. Southern replied in a short speech, in which she said that when she received a letter asking her to the fete of a young men's club, she felt a bit nervous. This was because she had no previous experience of a young men's club, and would have felt more at home in a women's club. "I was assured there would be ladies

FIRE FIGHTING.

A.P.C. DEMONSTRATE POWER OF "SAFOAM."

A demonstration was given on Saturday by the Asiatic Petroleum Company at North Point of a "Safoam" Fire Fighting Apparatus. The heads of various Government Departments were invited and quite a representative gathering was present to view the demonstration.

One of the many oil wells owned by the Company was used for the purpose. Portions of the cover were pried open and visitors were accommodated in a gallery that was built at the top of the tank. Before "Safoam" was used, the tank was three-quarters full, containing about two tons of oil.

"Safoam" was poured into the tank through two inlets. After about an hour, the oil was covered with two inches of foamy matter, which, it is learned, will have the effect of a wet blanket, should a fire break out inside the tank.

It is learned that the tank could be covered with a layer of two inches in twelve to fifteen minutes and that owing to some difficulty with the water pressure, it took unusually long to come through during Saturday's demonstration. Should a fire break out inside a tank, a good quantity of the oil could be taken off by outlets installed at the bottom of the well. Beside reducing the risk in this way, the Company is able to turn on a sort of water screen on all the other tanks, should any tank catch fire.

here," said Mrs. Southern, "and when I realised the aims and objects of the St. Peter's Club, my heart absolutely warmed for it."

She and her husband were particularly keen on endeavouring in every way to do away with racial differences, and in Ceylon they had worked towards that end. She considered a club like St. Peter's a little nucleus of peace, and added that they were doing valuable work in social circles. She likened the Club to the busy bee, and said that whenever she opened the papers, there was bound to be something about St. Peter's Club.

Regarding the debates which the Club held in the past season, Mrs. Southern expressed the hope that she might be able to cope with one of the subjects if she had four months leave before the contest.

She concluded by wishing the Club every success and added that she would watch its career with the keenest interest.

Concerts.

Besides the many stalls and side shows, there was an afternoon concert by some of the leading local entertainers and at 4 p.m. the Tea Dance commenced and was well patronised.

Miss Violet Capell and her J-Pans entertained the merry makers for two hours from 6.30 p.m. and her variety concert also received very good support.

The Carnival Dance, which commenced at 9 p.m., perhaps was the greatest success of all, many couples taking the floor and dancing being carried on till midnight.

Those who performed with the J-Pans were as follows:—Miss V. Capell, Miss P. Capell, Miss B. Walker, Miss M. Gittens, Miss P. Gittens, Miss A. Steel, Miss E. Rose, Miss M. Glendinning, Mrs. J. Thompson, Miss R. Wong, Mr. C. D. Lake, Mr. T. V. Harmon, Mr. A. W. Ramsey, Mr. C. H. Thompson, Mr. G. Arnold, Mr. H. Glover, Mr. J. H. Fountain, Mr. F. P. Lenfestey and accompanist:—Miss Vaughan.

The Takings.

The gross takings amounted to over \$3,000, and after paying expenses, the Club has benefited to the amount of \$2,500, which sum will be duly portioned off to the Repair Funds of the St. Peter's Church, the new Division of St. John's Ambulance and the Christmas treat to the inmates of the Kowloon Blind Home.

Results of Drawings.
Weight Guessing Competition (Suckling Pig): 1, Mr. L. Gut-

OPIUM HAUL.

APPLICATION FOR RE-HEARING OF RECENT CASE.

An application for the re-hearing of a case which was brought before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy last week, was made by Mr. M. K. Lo on Saturday morning. The case was that in which the master of a sampan was fined \$1,000 for being in possession of 500 tiels of prepared opium, while two members of the crew were each fined \$1,000 for the same offence.

Mr. Lo said it appeared that the Police had apparently known of the presence of opium on board a sampan, with the result that both the Kowloon and the Hongkong police were on watch for this boat. The defendant's sampan was intercepted and searched successively by the Hongkong contingent and by the party of police from Kowloon. On neither occasion was anything found.

Subsequently the harbour was dredged and the opium was recovered from the bottom of the harbour.

Continuing Mr. Lo said that when the long and elaborate charge was read out to, at least the two foks, they had apparently said "hey" (yes) or something to that effect. Mr. Lo submitted that the Chinese character "hey" was equivocal, and the interpreter had been under the misapprehension that the men had pleaded guilty.

To prove that the men's replies were not admissions of their guilt, Mr. Lo pointed out that they had been charged with being in possession of the opium on board their sampan whereas the opium was actually at the bottom of the harbour.

Mr. Lo argued that on the point of the misinterpretation of the two foks' pleas alone, a re-hearing should be granted.

Referring to the first defendant, Mr. Lo submitted that he had made certain involuntary statements as the result of having been assaulted.

Mr. Lo's application was put over for an hour for the attendance of Revenue Officer Lanigan, who was the prosecuting officer at the original hearing.

On returning to court later, Mr. Lo said that on the facts as disclosed he felt justified in asking for a re-hearing, but in view of certain facts he had been given by R. O. Lanigan, Mr. Lo asked that his application be adjourned till next Wednesday.

His Worship accordingly adjourned the application till 10.30 a.m. on Wednesday.

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Turkey: 1, Mr. T. L. Tan, H. K. University; 2, Mr. Glendinning, H.K. Tramways.

Goose: 1, Mr. V. G. Harmon, P.W.D.; 2, Mr. L. Gutterez, Union Insurance Co.

Smelling Competition: 1, Mr. Mahin Wink, H.K. University; 2, Mrs. Wilson, Naval Yard; 3, Mr. P. J. William, R.N. Hospital.

Gramophone Raffle: Won by Mr. Cecil Kew.

Bridal Group Raffle: Won by Mrs. Billy Mayes, B.A.T.

Bridal Doll: Won by Ticket No. 47.

Oil Paintings: Won by Ticket No. 67 (Mr. W. Thomas Tam).

Cake Weighing Competition: Won by Mr. Hyson, R.A.M.C.

Birthday of Chinese Doll: Won by Mrs. G. W. R. Griggs.

Age of Doll in Silks: Won by Miss L. Mackenzie.

Manicure Set Raffle: Won by Mrs. J. H. Hunt.

Rifle Range: 1st (for a Cup presented by Mr. C. A. Grimes) won by Mr. R. M. Price of H.M.S. "Durban" with 100 bulls; 2nd won by Mr. Gawn of H.M.S. "Ambrose"—68 bulls; 3rd won by Mr. E. G. Stewart—49 Bulls; 4th won by Rev. H. A. Wittenbach, M.A.—45 bulls.

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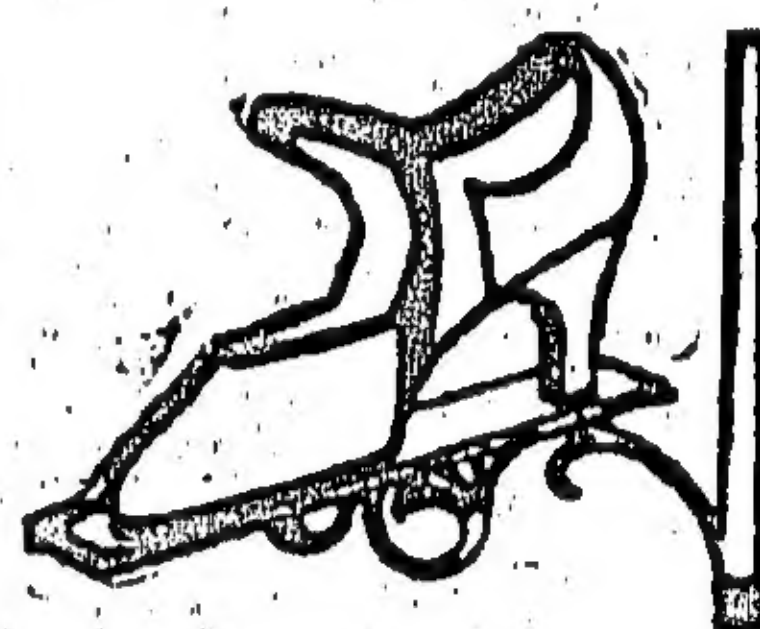
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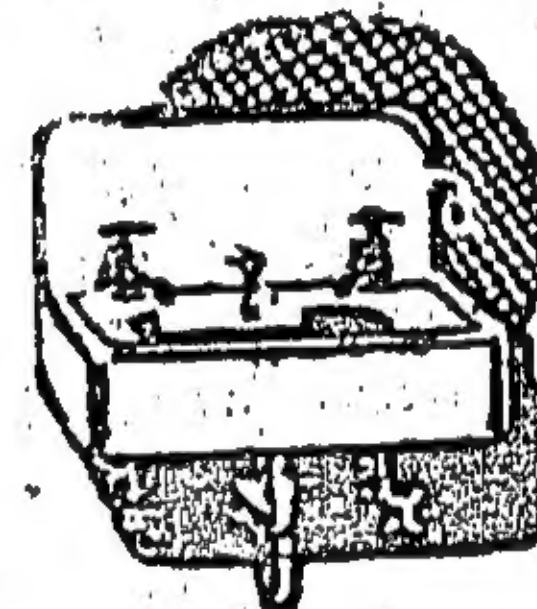


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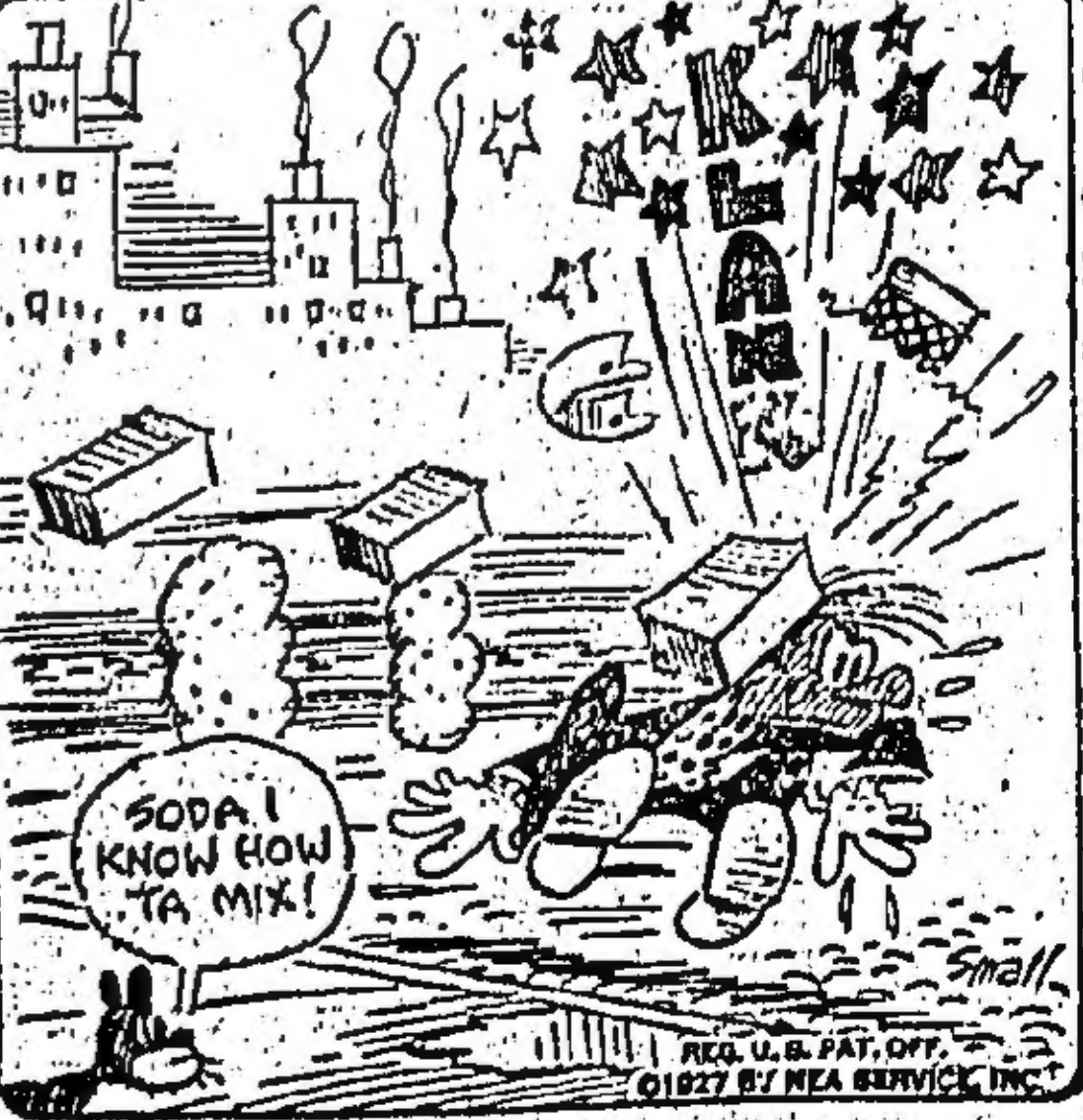
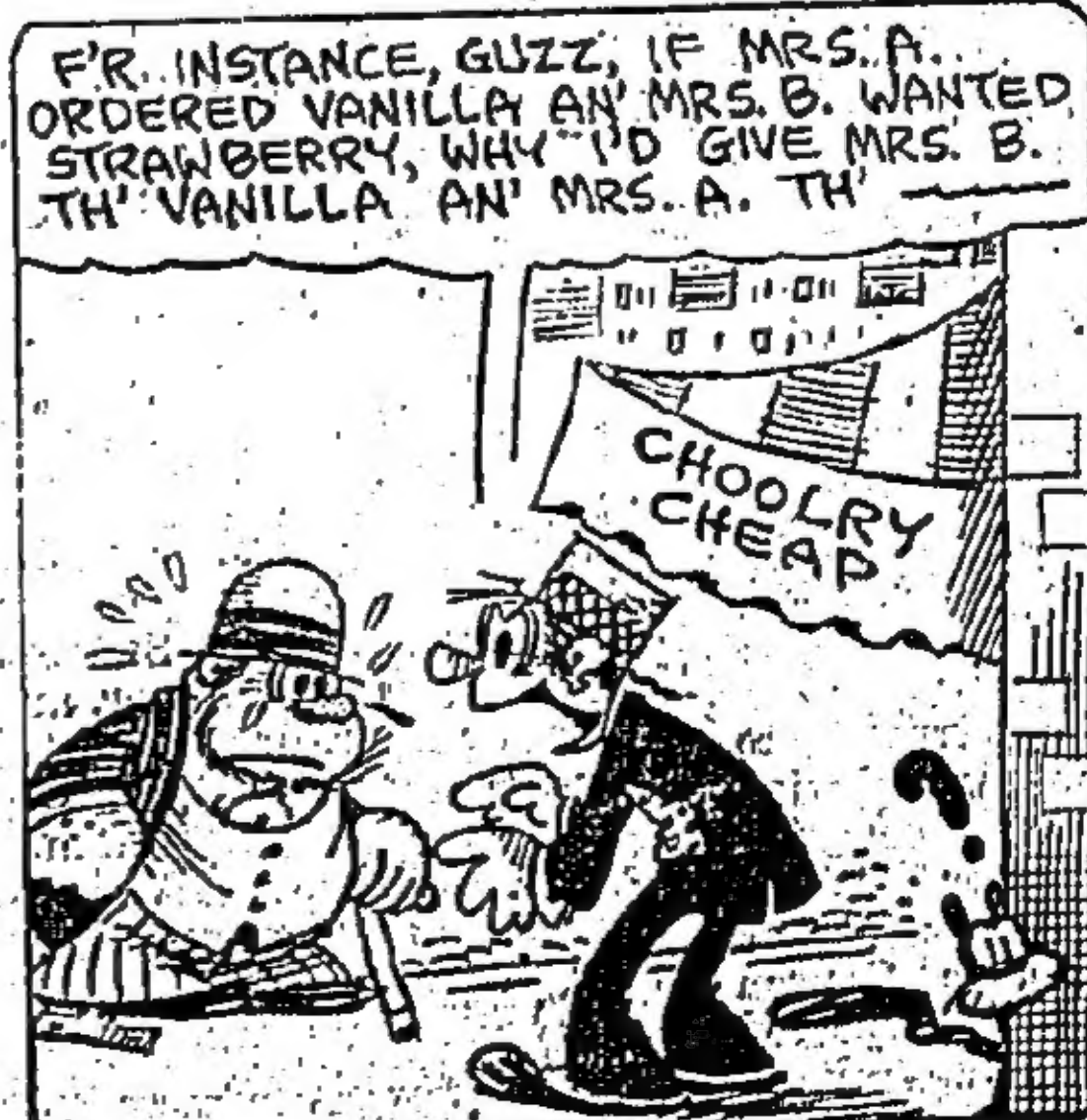
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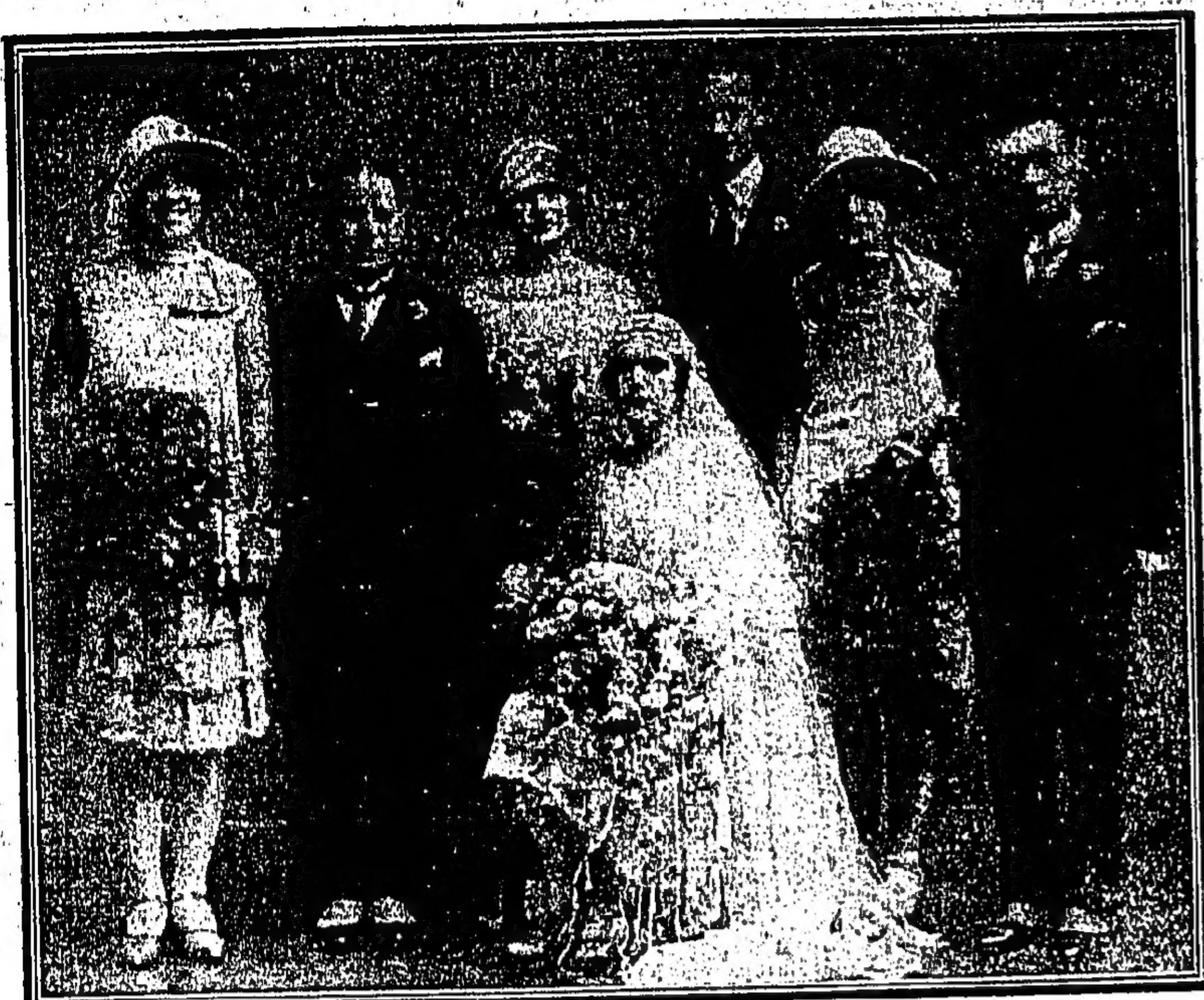
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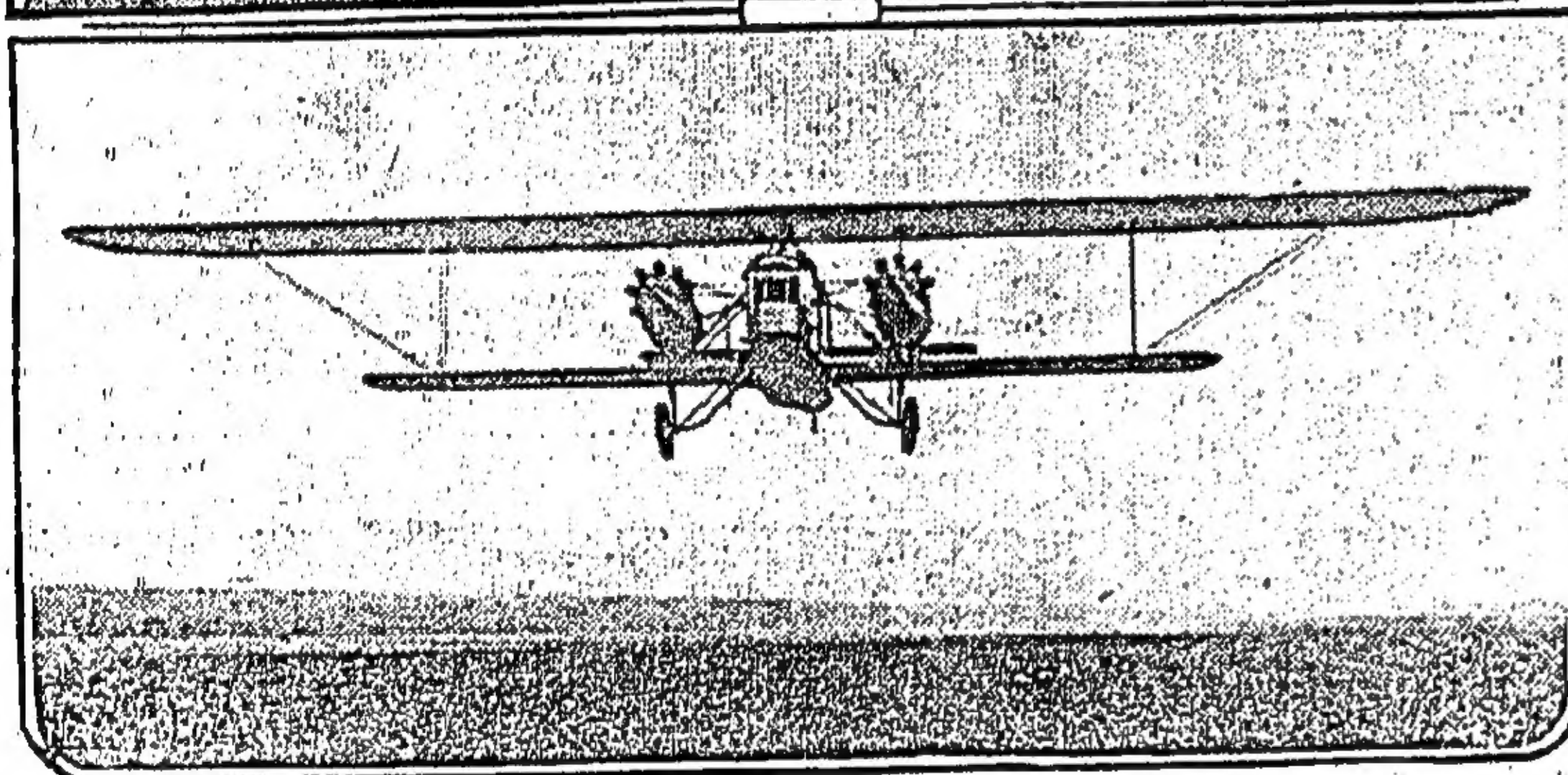
FASHIONABLE CHINESE WEDDING.—The wedding was celebrated at the Y.P.S. Hotel, Shanghai, recently, of Mr. Chang Jen-chun, C.E. (Ho-Hai) Engl. Col. Engineer in the Public Works Department of the Municipality of Greater Shanghai, and Miss Yao, a former pupil of McLeys School.

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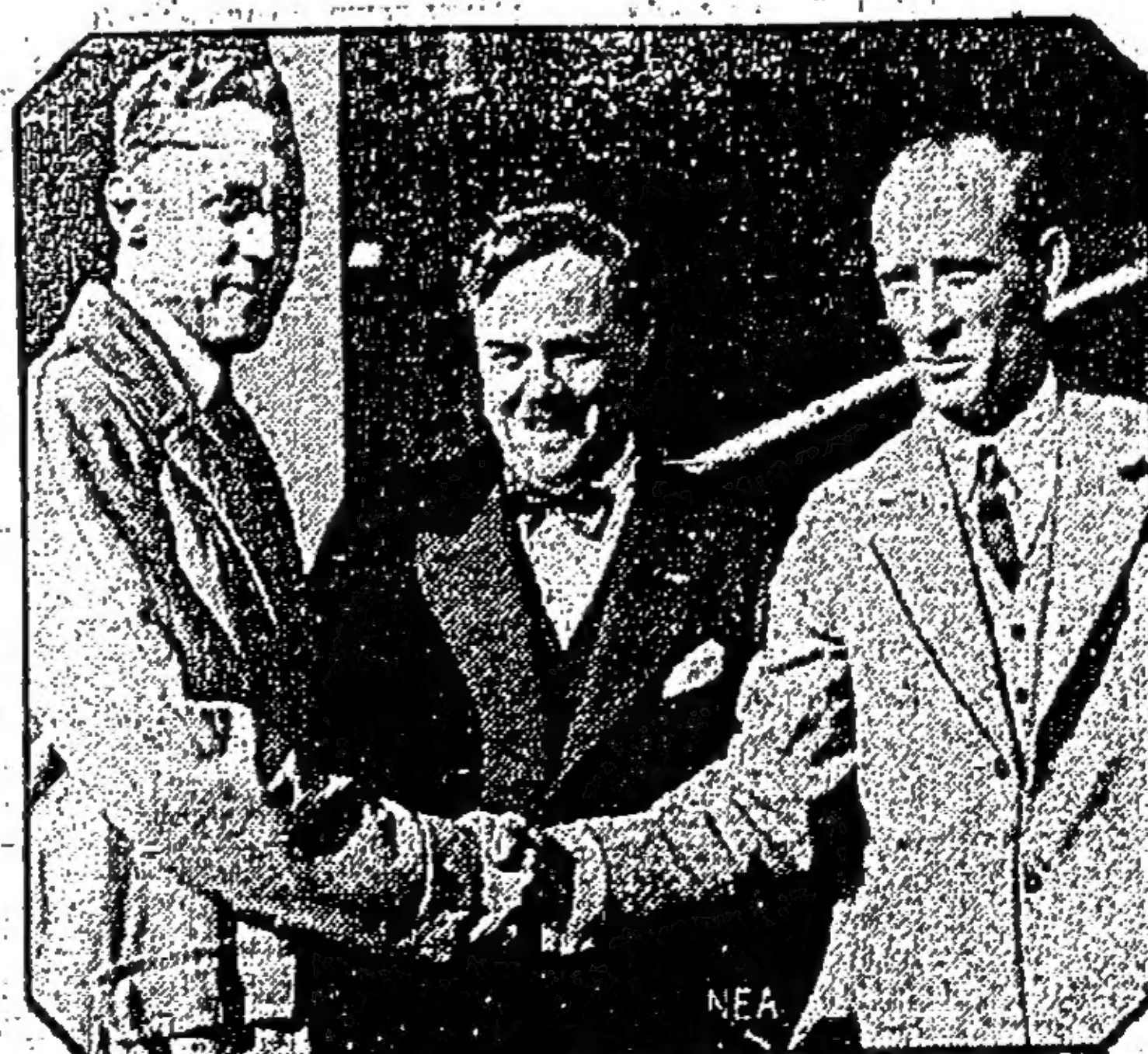
BACK HOME.—Edward F. Schlee, round-the-world flyer, is shown with Henry Ford upon the arrival of the world flyers at the Ford airport, Detroit, in their aeroplane, the "Pride of Detroit."



WELCOMED.—Part of the crowd that gathered around the plane of Brock and Schlee, world flyers, upon their return to Detroit, is pictured above. The welcome was none the less hearty because they did not fly all the way.



RUMANIAN ROYALTY.—A remarkable study in royal faces is presented in this photograph of the boy king Michael of Rumania and his mother and grandmother. They are sober faces save for a faint trace of a smile framed by Queen Marie's mourning veil (left). The mother, Princess Helen (right), appears very serious over the high estate to which her son recently was raised. Michael's father, Prince Carol, still is in Paris, an exile from the land he once expected to rule.



THE HEROES.—Here are William S. Brock middle and Edward F. Schlee (right) as they were greeted by W. Evans (left), whose round-the-world speed record they could not break.

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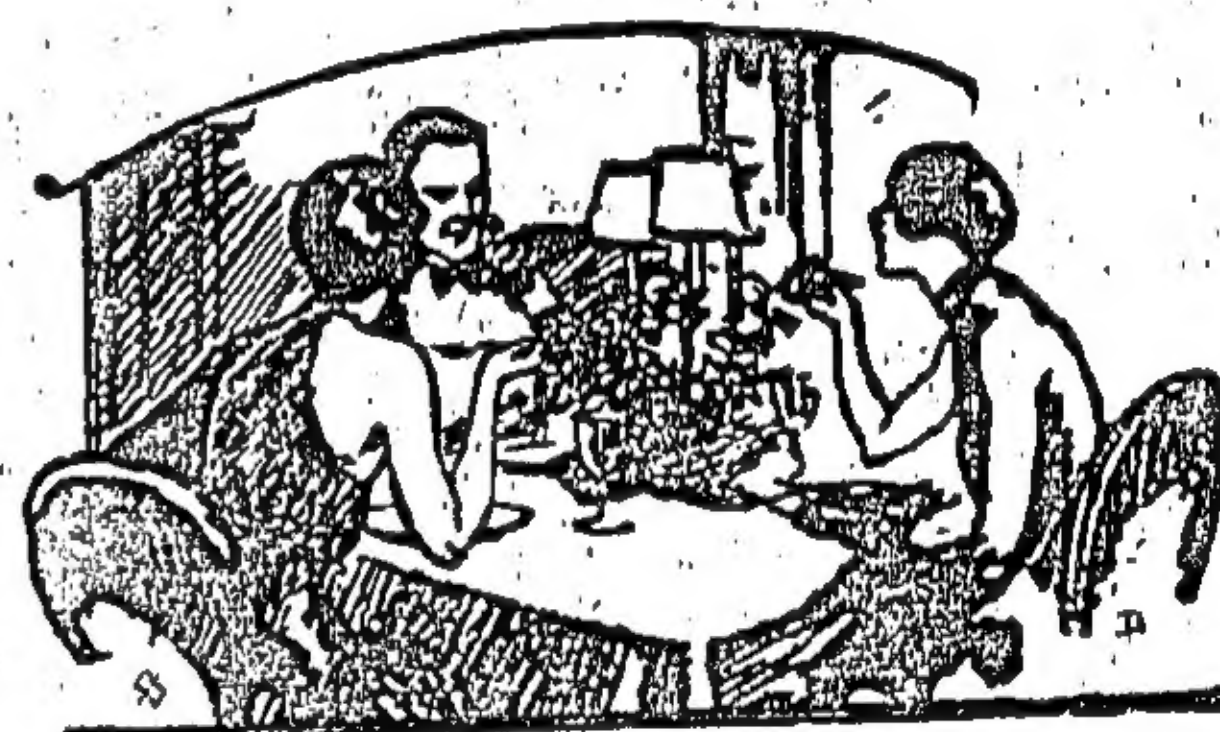
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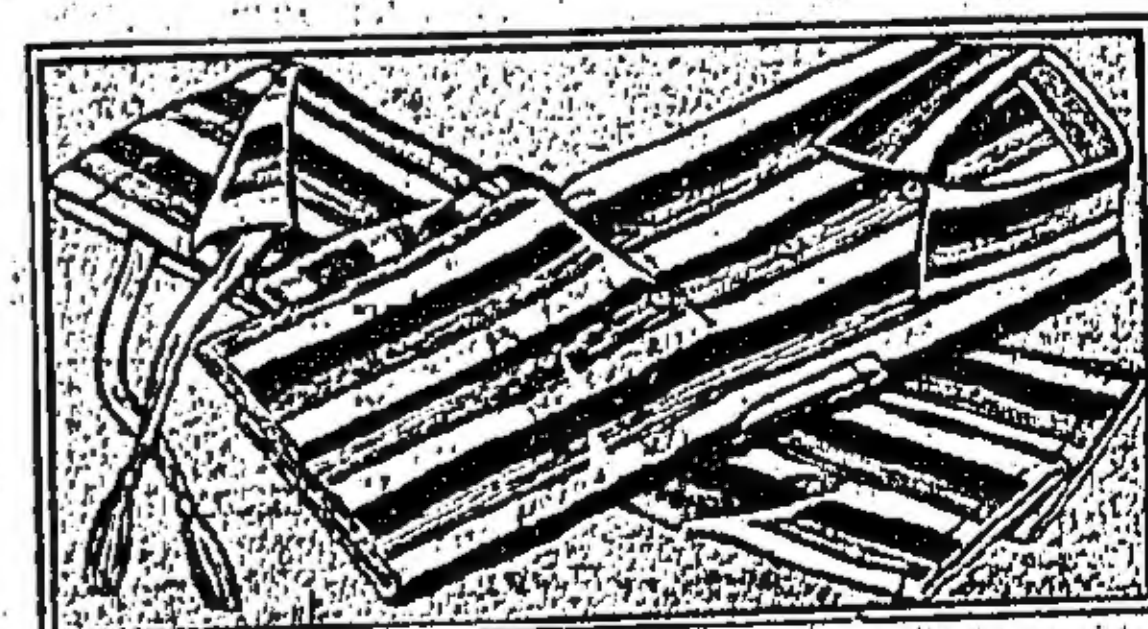
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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

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Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Eighth Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 26th November, 1927, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Race Course, Hongkong Club and Causeway Bay Stables. Entries will close at 12 o'clock noon, on Tuesday, 15th November, 1927.

FANLING HUNT.

Draft programmes and entry forms for the Autumn Meeting to be held on Saturday, 3rd December, 1927, (weather permitting) may be obtained from Dr. F. Pierce Grove, The Polo Club, Hongkong Club, and Causeway Bay Stables.

Entries will close at noon on Saturday, 19th November, 1927.

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THE REEL CLUB.

Hon. Secretary, (c/o Messrs. Palmer Turner).

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Annual Ball, Wednesday 30th November, 1927, at 9.30 p.m.

Members and guests are reminded that PRACTICE DANCES for St. Andrew's Ball will be held at the City Hall, on Tuesday, 15th instant, and Tuesday, 22nd instant, from 5.30 to 7 p.m.

It is requested by the Committee that no children be brought on these occasions and that Dancing shoes be worn by all Dancers.

Members who have not yet sent in their lists of guests are requested to kindly do so as soon as possible.

E. M. BRYDEN,

Joint Hon. Secretary, c/o Lowe, Bingham & Matthews, Hongkong 10th Nov. 1927.

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Time. Height. Time. Height.

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Nov. 30. 10. 10. 10. 10.

MARINE AND TROPICAL DISEASES.

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The big hygienic institutions of our time, erected for the preservation of human health and for the alleviation and cure of human disease, may indeed be fitly compared with the temples set up by the ancients in honour of Aesculapius, the god of health, and the privilege of administering them in furtherance of such lofty purposes is one of the most honourable of all duties. Professor Bernhard Nocht, M.D., the director of the Hamburg Institute for Marine and Tropical Diseases, who will be celebrating his seventieth birthday on November 4th next, may justly claim that he has unsparingly devoted his mind and his heart to the performance of these great duties. Thousands of loyal disciples and friends of his scattered throughout the world and an equally large number of grateful patients combine in tendering him their sincerest congratulations on his day of honour, and in doing so they are joined by his faithful collaborators in his work.

Professor Nocht was born at Landshut in Silesia, in 1857, upon the completion of his medical studies at the Kaiser Wilhelm Academy, he entered the active service of the German Imperial Navy. Whilst engaged in this capacity, he had numerous opportunities of making himself acquainted with conditions abroad. From 1887 to 1890 he was attached to the Berlin Hygienic Institute where he studied under Professor Koch, and in 1892 he was sent by the Government to Hamburg where he successfully assisted in fighting the cholera. It was at that time that he decided to devote his great gifts to the medical needs of the ancient seaport on the Elbe. He resigned his commission in the Navy and was appointed medical officer to the port of Hamburg, taking up his duties as such in 1893. His activities there resulted in the establishment of an efficient system for the control of the hygienic conditions of the port and of the ships frequenting it—a system which was soon recognized everywhere as a perfect model of its kind.

The work, however, which was destined to make the name of Bernhard Nocht familiar to medical men throughout the globe was the foundation and the subsequent enlargement of the Hamburg Institute for Marine and Tropical Diseases. It was established for the purposes of research, teaching, and healing, and there is perhaps no scientific institution anywhere that has done greater service in furthering these objects than the one set up at Hamburg. Its modern premises which were completed in 1914 are the largest and most beautiful of their kind. More than 1,500 medical men from all parts of the world have been trained there, and far more than 15,000 patients suffering from diseases contracted during their stay in the tropics have been restored to health owing to the treatment received in them. Numerous scientific methods of treatment were discovered and practically tested at the Hamburg Institute, and it was there that the great achievements of German medical science during recent years may be said to have ultimately originated. Such dreadful enemies of man in tropical latitudes as sleeping sickness, dysentery and malaria were attacked and overcome by the use of germanin, yatrene and plasmochin, the effects of which were first tested in Hamburg. Thousands of contributions to medical science and hygienic practice were published under the auspices of the seven departments into which the Institute is divided, and these occupy a high position in medical literature. Professor Nocht's writings, in particular, although they form only a small part of his life's work, stand out prominently among them, but the space at our disposal is insufficient to enumerate them in detail.

Dr. Nocht's Work. In 1906 Professor Nocht, in addition to his work as head of the Institute, took up the duty of supervising the entire medical organization of the city-state of Hamburg, and continued to be engaged in this task until his retirement from it in 1920. At that time there were other interests coming into existence and claiming his attention. The University of Hamburg had been founded in 1919, and he soon identified himself with its activities by accepting, first, the newly established chair of tropical medicine, and by his appointment, in 1921, as dean of the medical faculty. Subsequently, in 1926, he was accorded the highest distinction the university could bestow, i.e., by electing him as its rector. This additional office, of course, greatly increased the burden of work to which he was compelled to attend.

In 1927 Professor Nocht was further elected Vice-President of

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The League of Nations Hygienic Commission—an organization of which he had been a member since 1923. Between 1924 and 1926, under the auspices of the League, he spent a great deal of his time abroad for the purpose of studying the methods of fighting malarial diseases. The high esteem in which he has always been held in connexion with such studies is based on his wide experience regarding these matters—an experience that had already proved valuable on previous occasions, e.g., when he was a member of the National Board of Health, when he was acting as the German delegate to the Paris International Hygienic Conference, and when he was engaged in professional studies abroad, more especially in the overseas countries. Numerous distinctions and honours have been accorded him at home and abroad in recognition of the eminent services he has rendered to the cause of science.

Bernhard Nocht is universally acknowledged as an authority—and, indeed, as the leading authority—on all matters connected with tropical medicine and hygiene. His name will always remain indissolubly associated with his life's work. Numerous visitors to Hamburg—including private individuals as well as members of scientific and political delegations—have inspected the spacious premises occupied by the Institute, and these have over and over again expressed their profound astonishment at the thought that this great and unique undertaking, which extends its benefits without distinction to members of every race under the sun, should be the personal creation of one single mind. Professor Nocht's special collaborators in his work, together with hundreds and thousands of his colleagues and patients at home and abroad, all join in offering him their sincerest respects on the occasion of his forthcoming birthday, with which they couple the hope that he will be privileged for many years to come to preside over the institution to which he has devoted so much of his strength and energy.

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Xmas Letter Mail via Marseilles for Great Britain will be closed in the G.P.O. at 9.30 a.m. the 19th inst. per s.s. "Suwa Maru". This mail is due in London on the 20th December.

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Australia and Manila	Suwa Maru	November 17.
Japan and Shanghai	Suwa Maru	November 18.
Europe via Nagasaki letters only	Patroclus	November 18.
London 20th October	Laisang	November 19.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai	Emp. of Canada	November 21.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	Pres. Polk	November 21.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	Pres. Cleveland	November 21.
Japan	Mishima Maru	November 22.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Shinyo Maru	November 22.
Japan and Shanghai	Sphinx	November 22.
Shanghai	Mongolia	November 25.

OUR DAILY TALK ON HEALTH.

SCIENCE TESTS LIQUOR'S EFFECT.

DRIVING WITH SAFETY.

A Fool driving a motor car is a menace to every one and everything he passes. He is bad enough when in full possession of such sense as he has; when under the influence of alcohol he may do untold injury.

As indicated by Godfrey Carter, charged with examining all arrested persons in Sheffield, to determine their competency, safe motoring depends upon a clear and alert mental outlook. When driving, quick and accurate decisions are necessary. Judgment must be immediate and certain.

Brain Centre.

Since the higher brain centres are the first part of the nervous system to be affected by alcohol, they may become disturbed long before the grosser co-ordinations of the body are involved. Intoxication is a matter of degree, but police officers and courts are not likely to declare a man drunk until he has lost all sense of reason or balance.

Experiments carried out in the laboratories of Sheffield University showed that the concentration of alcohol in the blood was an indication of the state of drunkenness.

In a consideration of the views of Dr. Carter, it was pointed out that the concentration of alcohol in the breath may also be determined and that it approximates closely that of the blood.

Some persons are affected by much smaller quantities of alcohol than others and it is therefore necessary for the courts to take into account the reactions of the person arrested as well as the amount of alcohol that he may have imbibed. Not infrequently the shock or excitement of being arrested serves to steady the person to a condition much different from that at the time when the accident occurred.

Excitement.

Prof. J. T. J. Morrison of Birmingham found that the person who had indulged too freely in alcohol was likely to fall into a profound slumber within ten minutes after being placed in the cell.

This reaction serves to show whether the person arrested is suffering from shock or excitement or from actual intoxication. The excited person is likely to be too much excited to fall asleep soon after being placed in the cell.

"VALENCIA."

A FINE PICTURE AT THE QUEEN'S.

With the setting old Barcelona, and the plot "young love in old Spain," the picture at present appearing at the Queen's Theatre has attracted full houses, and "fans" have been delighted by the beauty both of the story and the pictorialisation.

Mae Murray as the heroine, Valencia, a temperamental Spanish dancer, Roy D'Arey as the new Governor of the seaport city, who casts his roving eyes on the girl, and Lloyd Hughes as her sailor lover, to whom she gives her heart, are the outstanding figures of a well-acted piece. The story is full of tense moments, and the ending entirely in keeping with what one expects in such high-class scenarios.

The supporting comedy, dealing with the adventures of two escaped convicts, is an excellent one, and patrons are sure of a very hearty spell of laughter.

\$300,000 LEFT TO A COLONY.

ECCENTRIC CRIPPLE BARON'S WILL.

"I have enjoyed my life; never experiencing an unhappy day, and I hope I die happy," is a passage in the will of Baron Henry Edward Ernest Victor Bliss, of Belize, British Honduras, Central America, formerly of Brandon Park, Suffolk, and of Quarry Court, Marlow, Buckinghamshire, who died in March 1926, aged 67, leaving personal estate in England now valued at £330,497 and property in British Honduras valued at about £22,800.

His father is said to have held the Portuguese title of Baron de Baretto and the testator to have changed it during the war to Baron Bliss.

After various personal bequests he left the bulk of his property to be administered by trustees (including the Governor) for the benefit of the Colony, among the conditions being that:

No subject of the United States of America shall be a trustee, or employed by them.

Any trustee or employee known to be even moderately intemperate, or who has the appearance of being so, or who is inefficient or shall accept commissions, shall be dismissed summarily.

All materials, etc., used for any of the work of the Trust shall be the produce or manufacture of the British Empire.

A lighthouse is to be erected as a monument over his grave overlooking Belize harbour.

The Trust fund is not to be devoted to churches, chapels, dancing-halls, education or schools (other than agricultural or vocational training).

It is understood that the total value of the bequest to the Colony, after the falling-in of various annuities, will not be less than £300,000.

Dr. Thomas Gann, formerly chief medical officer of British Honduras, writes to an exchange: British Honduras produce mahogany, rosewood, and all the most valuable woods of the world, and bananas, coconuts, maize, and the citrus fruits—oranges, lemons, and grape fruit. But it lacks roads and other methods of transport.

The late Baron recognised this. He was an eccentric man and, through an accident, a cripple.

His money might have gone to the Bahamas. He used to fish round there! But they, somehow, annoyed him in that neighbourhood. So he wrote to Belize asking if the fishing was good, and when he came along to Belize the Governor, Attorney-General, and the rest of us went out to his yacht to welcome him. We all became friendly. His wife, a tall, dark, handsome woman, was very popular.

KING ALBERT'S HINT.

BELGIAN DEFENCE NEEDS.

Brussels, Oct. 13. Members of the Belgian Senate and Chamber were received specially at the Royal Palace this morning to express their congratulations to the Royal Family on the birth of a daughter to Princess Astrid, wife of the Duke of Brabant, King Albert's heir.

King Albert reminded the Chamber that when the new session starts shortly they would have several important problems to tackle, notably that of national defence. He added:

"I am certain our legislators will be intent on giving Belgium a defensive organisation that will not only definitely ensure the security and integrity of our territory, but also preserve it by virtue of the Constitution, for the maintenance of which the Chief of the State takes a solemn oath."

The King has thus expressed his anxiety for the security of the country two days after Mr. Vandervelde, the Socialist Foreign Minister, advised his party to fight for six months' service for soldiers. The Catholic and Conservative parties want it to be 8 months.

\$30,000 IN GIFTS TO A WOMAN.

AN EX-MAYOR'S STRANGE BANKRUPTCY.

OLD-AGE PENSION.

Remarkable statements were made at Scarborough Bankruptcy Court recently, when Thomas H. Good, a former mayor and paper merchant of Leeds and now residing at Newby, near Scarborough, appeared for his adjourned public examination. At the first hearing he admitted liabilities of £7,533 and assets nil. His only income now was an old-age pension [he is 79] and a few shillings a week allowed him by a friend and by a Masonic fund.

Replying to Mr. F. S. H. Ward, solicitor for the trustee, Mr. Good said he believed he was solvent in 1923. His wife died in January, 1925. She had obtained a judgment against him two years before for £5,000. She owed him at the time £7,000, but he could not find it in his heart to go to law against his own wife.

Woman Friend.

He said he knew Mrs. Catchside, of Tynemouth, and had known her as a child thirty years ago. From time to time he had made advances of money to her. When she was left badly off, some years ago he took her two sons under his wing, educated them, and did everything for them.

Mr. Ward: What consideration has there been for the money advanced?—None, except friendship.

You would agree you have advanced her money or money's worth to the extent of £30,000 or more?—No, not so much as that. I do not think it would be as much as that.

For some time you have been living with Mrs. Catchside as man and wife?—I have not. I have visited her but never lived there.

£500 for a Necklace.

He admitted he bought Mrs. Catchside a house, land, and garage in Tynemouth 15 years ago for about £1,500. He had given her furniture, pictures, and silver but not the whole of his household belongings. He had given her a diamond and pearl necklace which she afterwards returned to him and he sold for £500.

Mr. Ward: Did you give her brooches and rings worth about £500 each?—No, nothing of the kind. They were worth about £125 each.

Did you purchase furs and dresses for her?—I bought her a fur coat and I bought her dresses from time to time. I treated her as my daughter.

Mr. Good said he bought her a motorcar costing about £1,000, but at that time he was well off and able to make such a present. He later gave Mrs. Catchside another car.

Mr. Ward: Did you give her £5,000 of war stock?—I gave her some, but I do not think as much as that.

Mr. Good said there was an agreement between himself and Mrs. Catchside, who he thought was now in Germany, that if his financial position became involved the gifts were to be returned to him, and he thought they should be returned for the benefit of his creditors.

The examination was closed.

Robert Browning's early association with Walworth and Camberwell is well known. It is hoped there are still enough admirers of his poetry to raise £50,000 for the reconstruction of Browning Hall, Walworth, where he was baptised. Club premises are to be built for the settlement associated with the hall. The Lord Mayor of London joins in an appeal which has been issued, and with a view to interesting Browning societies in the project the Rev. J. W. Graves, the warden, is to visit the United States.

A ONE HUNDRED GUINEAS FINE.

OVERCROWDING IN A THAMES STEAMER.

The General Steam Navigation Company were last month indicted for overcrowding their Margate boat, the Eagle, before the Recorder, Sir Ernest Wild, K.C., at the Old Bailey.

The secretary, Mr. Willoughby K. John, pleaded guilty on behalf of his company.

Mr. H. D. Roome, prosecuting for the Board of Trade, said the certificate of the Eagle entitled her to carry 1,365 passengers, but on August 3 she carried 611 in excess of that number. At the Mansion House the statement was made on behalf of the company that the passengers got out of control and rushed the gangways.

Since then the prosecution had received evidence from the pier-master and berthing master at Southend to the effect that there was no foundation for the suggestion that the gangways were rushed or that anything of that kind occurred.

Mr. John Charles Herbert, South-end pier-master, describing the method of the embarkation of passengers, said one of the steamboat company's officials gave notice as to how many fresh passengers could be accommodated in the vessel and the required number was allowed to pass. On August 3 no request was received to stop the influx of passengers.

Mr. G. St. Clair Pilcher, for the company, addressing the court said there was a breakdown in the liaison between the ship and the shore. Whether the gangways were rushed in the strict sense of the term it was not for him to say. "I rather doubt if they were," he added, "but there was certainly a very unusual crowd."

Sir Ernest Wild, addressing Mr. John, who went into the dock, said the evidence showed that the fault, not only legally but morally, was with the company.

The result has been that you took out to open sea 641 passengers, for whom there was no life-saving appliance had there been a shipwreck or other disaster. That is a terrible responsibility."

He imposed a fine of 100 guineas and ordered the company to pay the costs of the prosecution.

SMUGGLING BY AIR.

SILK IMPORTER FINED £270.

London, Oct. 14. Abraham Max Flatto, an importer of silk goods, of 65, Commercial-Street, E., appeared at the Mansion House yesterday to answer nine summonses for being knowingly concerned in fraudulently evading the duty on silk and artificial silk garments imported at the Croydon aerodrome. The treble value of duty concerned amounted to £1,782.

Mr. Gibson, prosecuting, said that when a Customs officer made inquiries at Flatto's premises with regard to goods imported from Brussels, he found that all the things which came from a man named Finkelstein had two invoices, one in French and the other in sterling. The lower invoice was produced for the Customs to evade the duty.

Mr. Myers, defending, said it was evident that Finkelstein had carried on a system of fraud on the Customs, not only in this but also in other cases, but Flatto did not know anything was wrong until the visit of the Customs official.

Mr. Alderman Greenaway said he could not believe that Flatto knew nothing of the frauds and Flatto would be fined £270 and £10 10s. costs.

Owing to the indisposition of Mrs. Percy Younghusband, she will be unable to appear at the vocal and piano recital to be given this afternoon in St. Andrew's Hall, the City Hall. Mrs. R. Singer, Mr. Li Chor-chi and Mr. John Braga have consented to contribute solos at very short notice. Mr. Harry Ore's pianoforte programme remains unaltered.

THE BEECHAM TRUST LIABILITIES.

MR. JAMES WHITE'S DEALINGS.

MORE THAN £1,000,000.

A warning to the creditors of the Beecham Trust, Ltd., not to expect a dividend of more than a few pence in the £ was uttered by Mr. H. E. Burgess, senior Official Receiver, who presided at meetings of creditors and shareholders of the trust at Bankruptcy Buildings, Carey-street, W.C., last month.

Mr. Burgess said the winding-up order was made as a consequence of the death of Mr. James White. The company was incorporated at the beginning of 1917, and the nominal capital of £400,000 was divided into 300,000 Preference shares of £1 each and 20,000 Ordinary 25 shares.

So long as dividends were regularly paid to the Preference shareholders they were not entitled to vote at general meetings, and that proviso became important because Mr. White, the chief holder of the Ordinary shares, was in a position to control the trust, dividends having been regularly paid on the Preference shares.

British Controlled.

The balance-sheets showed a loss of £86,549 from the company's inception until June, 1919; a profit of £10,112 during the ensuing six months; a loss of £259,432 in 1920; profits of £105,483, £13,591, and £439,310 in 1921, 1922 and 1923 respectively, and a loss of £275,903 in 1924. The operations between January 1, 1925, and the date of the winding-up order resulted in a loss of £690,459, but after making adjustments the total deficiency came out at almost double that amount.

In April last Mr. White, on the company's behalf, began to acquire large numbers of Preference Ordinary shares in British Controlled Oilfields (Limited). Apparently his object was to acquire a controlling interest, and then sell the company's holding at a handsome profit, but his plan was not successful.

Mr. White had drawn extensively on the company's funds, and at the winding-up his indebtedness to it was £458,863. He was the holder of 19,993 Ordinary 25 shares in the company, 10s. per share called, on which there was a liability of £89,968. That liability was probably of no value.

Based on Hope.

The statement of the company's affairs showed available assets £134,467, but he (Mr. Burgess) thought that every item was "based on some hope." Indeed, he understood from the special manager (Mr. Russell Kettle) that the creditors should not depend on receiving a dividend of more than "some few pence in the £."

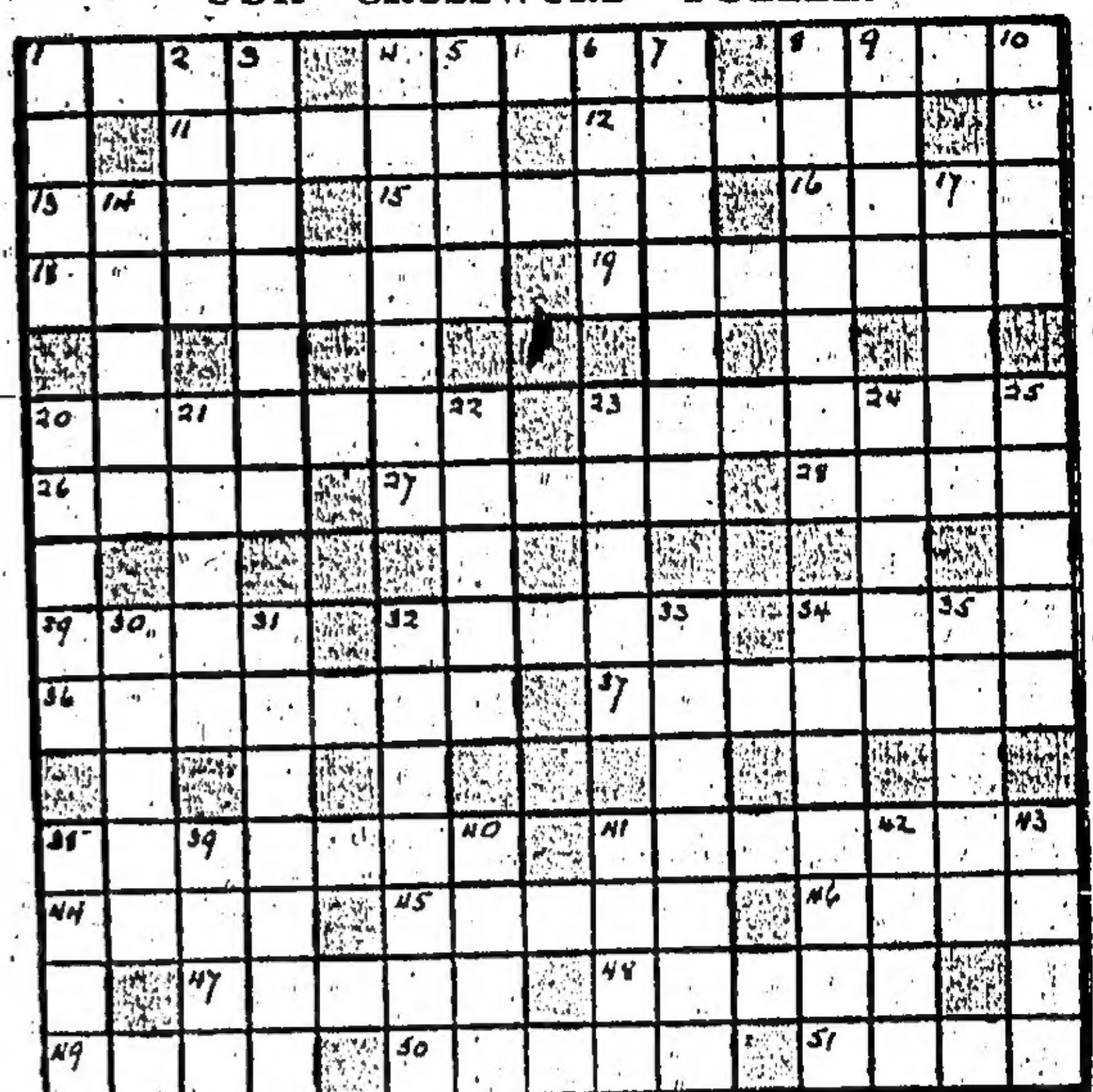
Regarding the cause of failure, the manager said that it was the first instance almost entirely due to the big speculation in the shares of British Controlled Oilfields. The manager considered that the trust had been financially embarrassed for some time, but, such was the reputation enjoyed by Mr. White that he never experienced any difficulty in obtaining subscriptions for anything he proposed.

Mr. Burgess said that the figures of the liabilities would require amendment, but the total was returned at £1,098,350.

Both meetings left the liquidation in the hands of the Official Receiver.

The popularity of the Cafe Regent, Pedder Building, was demonstrated on Saturday night, when, on the occasion of the official opening, a special dinner menu was offered to the public. The cafe was well patronised, and many indulged in dancing to the strains of a well-balanced orchestra.

OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE.



Across.

- 1 Throw.
- 4 Snake.
- 8 To gnaw.
- 11 Sharp ascending ridge of mountain.
- 12 Part of a church.
- 13 Grice.
- 15 Portable houses.
- 16 Joins.
- 18 Lecher.
- 19 Songsters.
- 20 Fencing position.
- 23 Fixed.
- 26 English bird.
- 27 Valuable fur.
- 28 Margin.
- 29 Structure at east end of a church.
- 32 Earth-work.
- 34 Genus of the lily.
- 35 Negotiated.
- 37 Those who tease.
- 38 One who speaks derisively.
- 41 Fatter.
- 44 Ripper.
- 45 Wooden pin.
- 46 Bog.
- 47 One masted vessel.
- 48 Not at all.
- 49 Spoil.
- 50 Progeny.
- 51 Costly.

Down.

- 1 Domestic animals.
- 2 Mentally sound.
- 3 Punishable with death.
- 4 Accompanist.
- 5 Ruminant quadruped.
- 6 Consumes.
- 7 Laughable.
- 8 Narrow mouthed vessels.
- 9 Advise.

10 An upward throw.

- 14 Occupies space.
- 17 Withered.
- 20 Perspiration.
- 21 Stop.
- 22 Possesses ears.
- 23 Fold.
- 24 A claim.
- 25 Valleys.
- 26 Bending forward.
- 31 Earnestly.
- 32 Back of a fire-place.
- 33 Plants that sting.
- 34 Supposed.
- 35 Edict.
- 38 Pace.
- 39 Free from pain.
- 40 Thicker than cord.
- 41 Despatch.
- 42 Weary.
- 43 Back portion.

Saturday's Puzzle.



SMILES AND LAUGHTER.

COMFORT FOR THOSE UNABLE TO LAUGH.

Those solemn faced individuals who are unable to laugh may reap certain comfort in the findings of Professor F. Aveling of the University of London who makes the statement that it is only the "superior" or discontented man who really laughs.

He suggests that "perhaps that is why laughter, like tears, is ugly—being made up of grimaces and contortions, the mask of a hard or selfish mind."

The Professor thinks that smiles are beautiful, as marks of human sympathy and understanding in a heart that is at peace with itself and with the world.

The really happy man never laughs, or at least only seldom, though he may smile. He does not need to laugh, for laughter, like weeping, is a relief of mental tension and the happy are not over-strung.

He continues: "The unhappy man cannot laugh. He is too much wrapped up in his misery to see the drollery of his own case or to enter into the tragedy or comedy of any other."

"Laughter is a kind of behaviour, exceedingly curious were it not so commonplace, which begins in a puckering of features and ends in jelly-like convulsions of the whole body. Moreover, it is an idiosyncrasy of human kind alone."

HOME PARCEL MAIL.

AN INCREASE ON LAST YEAR.

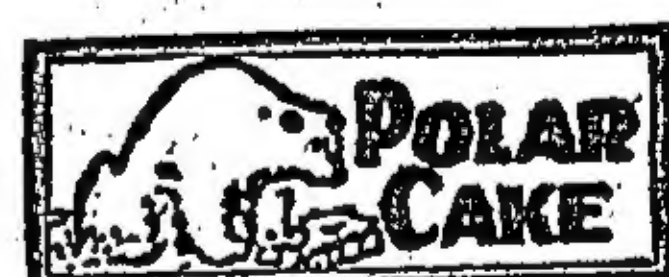
Posting was very heavy for the Home Christmas parcels, mail which closed on Thursday and the staff of the parcel department worked at high pressure from the time the mail began to pour in, until it was finally taken by launch to the Macedonia. The mail is due to reach London on December 15th.

The parcel mail this year shows a net increase of 479 parcels above last year's figure, which was a record at that time.

The figures for the two years are:—

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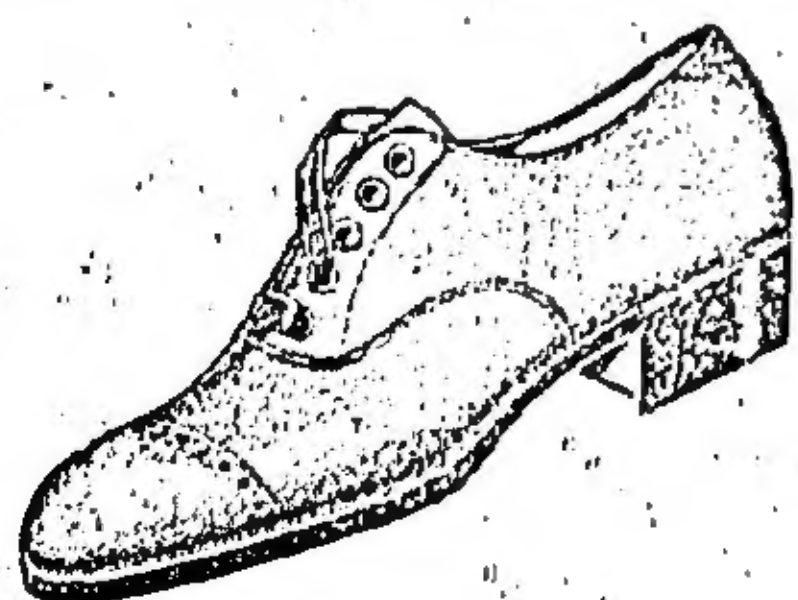
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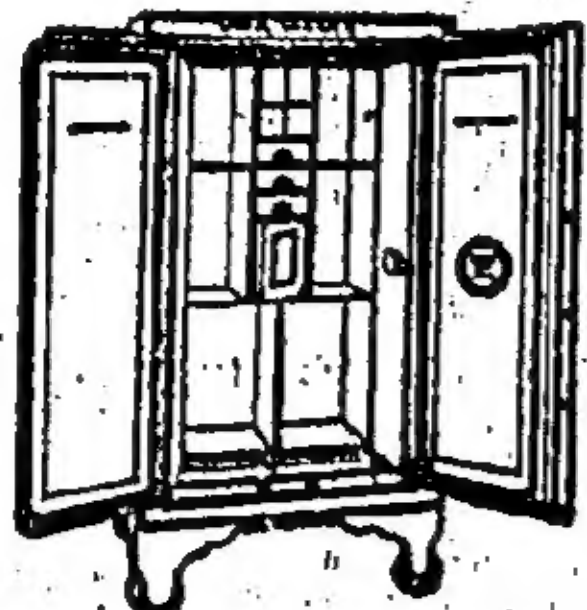
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THE GREAT FAILURE.

Speaking at Oxford during the week-end, Professor Southill, one of the most observant experts on Chinese questions, declared that "China awaits sterling friendship. Even the warlords are open to patriotic appeal, and the best Nationalists are sick with grief at the disappointment of patriotic desire." In saying that, he voiced the thoughts of many close followers of the situation out here, particularly during the past few months. If we turn to the news of the day on things Chinese we find that the war in China, from a defined campaign between two directly antagonistic factions, has deteriorated into a series of smaller contests, with little indication of the policies or aims of their protagonists. The drive against Hankow is the final act in the split of the Kuomintang ranks, but in so viewing it we have to assess finally at its due worth in Chinese quarrels, and this may mean that after Hankow's faction has been subdued, some other recalcitrant element will raise the banner of revolt. Thus the Kuomintang is fighting a battle not only against the powerful combination in the North, still established at Peking, but against its own dissentients. The old story of want of unity applies. The country remains faction-ridden, and with wars within wars, the militarists are achieving nothing, except it be the ruin of the country and the impoverishment of vast numbers of their fellow nationals. Thus have the grandiose plans of Nationalism gone astray, and the high aims, almost appearing as high ideals, which actuated the party in the early months of the campaign, have been shattered on the rocks of self-seeking ambition. It has been indeed a great failure.

And if we look at the magnitude of the failure, in terms of the devastation that has followed in the wake of the warring armies, the ill-feeling aroused, the international complications which have resulted, and the general disappointment pervading all commentary on the matter, we may also speculate whether it will teach a great lesson. Can the Chinese, the politicians and militarists alike, if they are as sick of the non-success of their plans as we assume they are, realise how

wrong has been their method of procedure, and try to profit thereby? Personally, we are among the optimists, insofar as we believe that at heart the Chinese people, of all shades of opinion, and all classes, have sufficient patriotic spirit to feel the need for a centralised and stable administration. If their patriotism needs cultivating to a higher plane than it has so far exhibited, it may be that we are now witnessing the passage through the fire which is destined to refine and temper that dawning common feeling, and leave a better appreciation of what true Nationalism means. There must be real patriots in China today, who are feeling bitterly disappointed at the failure of all attempts at unification. If only the militarists, by means of futile warring, can come to the same conclusion—that they have followed the wrong course—and seek better means to the common end, there will still be hope for the country, and the sacrifices of the past two years may not have been in vain.

A Tariff Point.

This journal has often expressed the opinion that the imposition of tariffs and trade barriers is one of the greatest causes of international friction, and also an uneconomic drag on the free and profitable flow of commerce; and it is eminently worthy of note that a remarkably sign of the growing uneasiness in Australia at the results of high Protection is to be found in the report of the Australian Tariff Board which has just been laid before the Federal Parliament. That report declares among other things, that secondary manufactures, are sheltering obsolete plant and methods behind duties; that the high cost of production and the ever-rising cost of living are becoming a serious menace; and that nothing but disaster lies ahead unless all parties give the matter their serious attention. "The worst of Protection is that when once it has been adopted as a policy it becomes an octopus fastening its tentacles about the neck of the State, almost impossible to get rid of; and in Australia there is a whole network of vested interests ready to resist reduction of tariffs to the utmost. It has been proved there over and over again that the full amount of the duties is handed on to the consumer. The rising cost of living leads to constant demands for higher wages and so to industrial disputes. The higher cost of production means that payment at the world price for exports is becoming, for them, less and less remunerative. If that is the experience in Australia, what would it mean to an exporting country like Great Britain? For if Britain's costs should go up, there is no means by which we can compel the foreigner to pay more.

AN UNUSUAL VOYAGE.

A YOUNG AMERICAN ADVENTURER.

Arriving here by junk yesterday, Raymond Hauger, a young American, visited the Telegraph office to-day and told how he, with a companion, set out from New York in May last on a "hike" round the world.

Raymond Hauger, who is 21 years of age, left New York in May with Miss Irene Harris, aged 21, as his companion on an unconventional journey with just fame of any sort as their goal. Hauger had been an unsuccessful short story writer and Miss Harris had cinema aspirations, and so they both set out to find fame and fortune, and also to prove that a "platonic" comradeship between two such young people is possible.

From New York, the young couple set out for Chicago, and from there they made their way to San Francisco. Crossing over to Yokohama by a President boat, the two adventurers were, says Mr. Hauger, fortunate in finding a friendly Japanese gentleman who has helped them on their way. Miss Harris is at present staying back in Yokohama, but Hauger has been adventuring on his own in a Chinese junk, having come all the way down the coast in such a vessel to Hongkong.

Our representative remarked to Mr. Hauger that sailing down the coast in a junk was not exactly like doing a "hike," to which the young traveller smilingly remarked that China didn't seem to be the kind of place where one could enjoy a walk just now. He was awaiting mail here from his companion in Yokohama and hoped to make arrangements soon for voyaging.

DAY BY DAY.

TRADE UNIONS MAY BE USEFUL IF THEY WILL NOT DEPART FROM SOUND ECONOMIC PRINCIPLES, AND IF THEY WILL NOT INTERFERE WITH THE INDIVIDUAL FREEDOM OF THOSE WHO HAVE THE EMPLOYMENT OF CAPITAL.—John Bright.

The B.I. s.s. Santhia is due here from Shanghai to-morrow, about noon.

The B.I. s.s. Talamba is expected in port from Amoy on Wednesday afternoon.

The local weather forecast up to noon to-morrow is: E. winds, moderate; fine.

A sale of poppies in aid of Earl Haig's Fund on board the Hakusan Maru whilst on the trip out East realised over £12.

The British vessel Carnarvonshire, from Hamburg and Singapore, reports one case of fever of unknown origin.

The President Lincoln, from Seattle and Shanghai, reports carrying Wong Ping, a Chinese leper, deported from Seattle.

Dr. P. S. Wu, residing at 212, Temple Street, reports that at 11 a.m. yesterday some person entered his house by the back door, and stole clothing to the value of \$119.

There will be a Children's afternoon at the Helena May Institute on Friday, 18th November at 5 p.m. (Stories and songs.)—Adv.

Heavy mail was carried by the s.s. President Lincoln, from the U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai, consisting of 1,046 bags. It was distributed this morning.

Adolphe Menjou's comedy-drama, "A Social Celebrity," is being screened at the World Theatre for the last time this evening. The picture relates the adventures of a young country barber who goes to the city and is there induced to pose as a count with unexpected results. Louise Brooks and Chester Conklin head the supporting cast.

For the second time within a short period another pane of glass in the Supreme Court building was smashed by a cricket ball, hit from the Hongkong Cricket Club ground, on Saturday afternoon. There were no clerks working at the time, and Mr. C. D. Melbourne, who was in another office, startled by the crash, entered the room and retrieved the ball.

This morning's Harbour Office reports gave 15 arrivals, and seven departures, of which four and three respectively were British, leaving 56 vessels in harbour of which 20 were British. Tonnage was good, but inward cargoes were low, with British carrying second best. Through freights showed an increase, with British registering the highest.

The following ships were expected to be in wireless communication with Hongkong to-day: President Polk, Benvorick, Norviken, Helikon, Kiangsu, Santhia, Hirundo, Empress of Asia, Macedonia, Deli Maru, Korea Maru, Karachi Maru, Hakusan Maru, Calchas, Tinhow, Linan, Dessau, Hopsang, Kutsang, Taikoo Wan Yi, Carnarvonshire, Gorjistan, Trier and Patroclus.

There will be only one movie performance in the Star Theatre to-day, namely, from 5.30 to 8.30 p.m. (continuous) Mr. Charles Chalmers' popular London vaudeville company, the new Our Cabaret, presenting the revue "Hey! Hey!" at 9.15. The chief picture in the movie programme is Zane Grey's thrilling story of a his true feud, "To the Last Man," in which Richard Dix and Lois Wilson play the leading roles.

Four charges dealing with the alleged misappropriation of \$3,000, the property of the Kwong Man Lung firm of No. 135, Reclamation Street, were preferred against the late manager, before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistrate's court, this morning. Mr. C. A. S. Russ appeared for the prosecution and Mr. Horace Lo represented the defendant. On the application of Mr. Russ, the case was adjourned for one week, bail being allowed in the sum of \$5,000.

Amongst the passengers who arrived from Home by the Hakusan Maru were the Rev. T. W. D. James (Swatow), Mr. A. Hicks, (editor of the Hongkong Telegraph) and Mrs. Hicks, Mr. E. W. Bradbury (Dairy Farm Co.) with wife and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Watson (Shameen) and daughter, Mr. J. Benson, Mr. and Mrs. L. Vidal, Mr. A. W. Heron (Wharf and Godown Co.) and daughters, Misses C. and V. Crappell, Mr. F. Mason (St. John's Cathedral organist), Mr. L. Guy (Messrs. A. S. Watson and Co.), and Mr. G. E. Matthews (Brunner, Mond and Co.).

A MOTOR CYCLE DEAL.

THIRD PARTY SPENDS THE SALE MONEY.

A claim in respect of the sale of a motor cycle was heard by Mr. Justice R. Wood in the Summary Court this morning, the plaintiff being Mr. A. B. Hanson, of Leighton Road, and the defendant Mr. H. Kong, of 23, Whitfield. The claim was for \$70, being the balance due from the defendant, who had sold the motor-cycle, on behalf of the plaintiff, for \$100, of which sum he had paid \$30. Mr. D. McCallum was for the plaintiff.

The plaintiff stated that he had owned a Royal Enfield motor cycle, number 85, and delivered it to the defendant on December 28, last year, for him to sell on his (plaintiff's) behalf. On or about the end of February this year, the defendant sold the cycle for \$75, and towards the end of May, paid \$30 on account, but had paid nothing since.

When asked about the money, Kong had said he had sold the machine to a man on credit, and he could not pay until the buyer paid. With his (plaintiff's) permission, Kong had detached the generator and sold it separately for \$25.

In reply to the defendant, plaintiff agreed that he told him (defendant) to put the cycle in running order before selling it, but when Kong handed in a bill, plaintiff objected to charges for storage and commission.

His Lordship: Do you object to the first item on the bill?—No.

Then that reduces your claim by \$10?—Yes.

The defendant, in giving evidence, stated that the plaintiff wanted the machine sold for \$100, but he could not sell it at that figure so he sold it complete for \$75. He denied that he sold the generator for \$25, but said that when the machine was sold the generator was not attached, as it was not in working order. The buyer had been found by a third party, who had received the money from the buyer and spent it. Kong stated that the \$30 he had paid was paid out of his own pocket.

His Lordship gave judgment for the plaintiff, with costs.

YOUTHFUL THIEF WHIPPED.

WHAT A GUNNER OBSERVED.

"You are a known thief," said Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning to a young Chinese who was charged with the theft of a jack-knife and a razor, the property of Gunner J. E. J. L. Kinsella, at Lyceum Barracks yesterday.

His Worship referred to the defendant's previous record, which showed that three years ago, he was sentenced to be whipped for picking the pocket of a pedestrian.

In the present case, evidence was led to show that the defendant yesterday entered the guard-room at Lyceum Barracks, and his subsequent actions were partly observed through an open window by the complainant, who was then in a lavatory adjoining. Defendant was observed to reach out for something under the window and to leave hurriedly. This led to a chase by the gunner.

Gunner Kinsella stated in evidence that he saw defendant throw away something but, being pre-occupied with the pursuit, he did not stop to find out what it was. Later, a comrade brought to him the jack-knife and the razor, which a short while before had been left by witness in the guard-room, but which were now found dumped in the grass.

In ordering a whipping for the defendant, his Worship warned him that another appearance would mean a long term of imprisonment.

TO-DAY'S LOCAL WEDDING.

MR. K. A. STAPLE AND MISS
M. J. WARBRICK.

The marriage was solemnized this afternoon, at St. John's Cathedral, of Mr. K. K. Staple, of Messrs. Pilgrim and Co., and Miss M. J. Warbrick, of the Government Civil Hospital.

The service was conducted by the Rev. H. Copley Moyle, the Cathedral Chaplain.

The bride was given away by Mr. A. G. Hewlett, and was attended by the Misses M. A. Wilson and E. Williams as bridesmaids.

Miss E. A. Gilling was Matron of Honour, and Mr. A. J. Pilgrim best man.

A reception was afterwards held at the Hongkong Hotel, after which the couple left for Manila.

The only case of notifiable disease reported to the authorities over the week-end, was one of typhoid (Swedish, imported).

The Very Idea!

In connection with the gift to a Scottish town of the painting, "The Return from Flodden," it is rumoured that the following conversation took place between two visitors looking at the picture:—
"Man it's a gran picture. Weel I mind that scene in the Pageant."
"But hoo could that be in the Pageant? It comes frae the Bible, doesna it?"
"Frae the Bible? And whaur aboots in the Bible?"
"Och, ye ken fine," was the rejoinder. "About Flodden and Gomorrah."

Little drops in petrol,
Varying in size,
Go to make the motor
Owner's spirits rise.

One of the last wishes of John Armstrong, a ninety-seven-year-old beggar, who amassed a fortune of £13,000 in the equivalent of threepenny and sixpenny pieces in the practice of his profession, will be fulfilled in a decision made by Judge O'Brien.

Armstrong, although he died before the bequest could be incorporated in his will wished to leave £2,000 to Mrs. Ella W. Sloane because she had befriended him for twenty years and because she had promised to care for him until his death.

He told her of his intention in March 1927, but on April 3 he died, before he could revise his will, which left his estate to fifteen distant relatives in England, most of whom he had never seen.

West Ham Woman: I call my husband perfect—he has no money to be imperfect.

Debtor at Shoreditch County Court: I have a wife and three children, but I suppose I have not to apologise for getting married.

Solicitor at Shoreditch: You want time to pay?—Debtor: Yes—Time and the money.

Nottinghamshire magistrate: Have you anything to say?—Man: No, I am speechless when I am guilty.

Judge Cluer to a solicitor at Shoreditch: I have supplied you with an illustration, but, Dr. Johnson said, I cannot supply you with the intellect to understand it.

Mr. W. Schridde, of Brisbane, is in possession of a giant prawn, which was caught at Alligator Creek on October 2. It measures 20 inches from the tips of the feelers to the tip of the tail. The body is 8 in. long and 3 1/2 in. in girth.

To sing this year "All is Safely Gathered In" sounds like a cruel travesty of facts.—Bishop Frodsham.

I wish those who declaim against our present civilisations would spend six months among the savages.—Bishop Weldon.

Though the countryman may be less quick and clever than the townsman, he is often wiser in the things that really matter.—Dean Inge.

It is quite clear that the main arteries to traffic are going to be like great railways lines in constant use night and day.—Lord Montagu of Beaulieu.

When Jerome K. Jerome, the famous humorist, reached America there was a crowd of reporters waiting for him, and one said, "Aren't you rather nervous about submitting your particular brand of humour to American audiences?"

"Young man," was the reply, "I have faced a Scots audience on a damp night, and now I fear no foe."

Rebecca May, aged eighty-three, wearing an early Victorian costume, indignantly denied at Marlborough-street Police Court a charge of being drunk and incapable in Oxford-street.

"I was not drunk this time," she declared with vigour. "I only had two glasses of mild ale." But Mr. Mead, the magistrate, fined Rebecca, who has many convictions for drunkenness, one shilling, adding, "She can be taken back to the workhouse."

EXCHANGE RATES.

	London, Nov. 12.
Paris	124.05
New York	4.87 9/32
Brussels	34.93 1/2
Geneva	25.20 1/2
Amsterdam	12.07 1/2
Milan	89.70
Berlin	20.43
Stockholm	18.10 1/2
Copenhagen	18.13 1/2
Oso	18.43 1/2
Vienna	34.59 1/2
Prague	18.14 1/2
Helsingfors	198.5 1/16
Madrid	28.67
Lisbon	2.7 1/16
Athens	338 1/2
Bucharest	787 1/2
Rio	5 67/64
Buenos Aires	47 1/2
Bombay	1/6 15/16
Shanghai	2/0 1/2
Hongkong	26 11/16
Silver (spot)	26 1/2
Silver (forward)	26 1/2

—British Wireless.

ARMED ROBBERY AT
ABERDEEN.SHOPKEEPER'S HOUSEHOLD
BOUND.

A SHAMSHUPO HOLD-UP.

There was one case of armed robbery, and one robbery with violence, reported to the police over the week-end.

In the former case, Li Koon-sing, a shop-keeper of Aberdeen, the owner of the Li Hin Brass shop, was visited at 7 p.m. on Saturday by three men armed with knives.

At the time, the shopkeeper was lying in bed and apparently the robbers did not see him on their entry. All the inmates of the shop were tied up, except the owner, who managed to slip through the back door and raise the alarm.

Assistance was soon forthcoming, but when the shopkeeper re-entered his house, he found the robbers had decamped, taking with them two pairs of rattan bangles, two finger rings and two articles of clothing valued at \$61.

Victim Reluctant.

As regards the case of robbery with violence, owing to the reluctant attitude adopted by the victim, details are lacking. The victim has refused to give a complete report to the police, but it is established that on Saturday he was attacked by three men in Shamshupo, who stole from his person \$27.90.

A passer-by who saw the hold-up, interfered and managed to arrest one of the robbers. The police traced the other two. The arrested man was brought before Mr. W. Schofield this morning, and was remanded for one week, in order that the police may make further enquiries.

OUR NEW SERIAL.

STARTING NEXT WEEK.

Following on the completion of "The Merafield Mystery" (the final instalment of which will appear in our issue of to-morrow), we have made arrangements to publish a new serial story by that well-known contemporary author, Allen Upward, and the first instalment will appear in the *Telegraph* of Monday next.

The new story, which is entitled "The House of Sin," is one of mystery, love and intrigue, and is fully up to the standard of the author's previous work, including as that does such well-known stories as "Secrets of the Courts of Europe," "The Yellow Hand," "The Accused Princess," and "The Ordeal of Fire."

Mr. Allen Upward, who is a barrister-at-law, has had a most interesting career. Having won high legal honours during the course of his training, he fought as a volunteer in the Greco-Turkish War of 1917; was British Resident in Northern Nigeria in 1901; and was on a mission to Macedonia in 1907 and 1908. When the Great War broke out he volunteered for service at the front as a Scoutmaster and received the thanks of the General Commanding. Later, he became Headmaster of Inverness College, and in recent years has been an interesting writer of reminiscences and romances.

His latest story will doubtless be read with great interest.

RUSSIAN SPOKESMAN
"EXPLAINS."PROLETARIAT'S WONDERFUL
FREEDOM.

Moscow, Nov. 13.

In the course of a long conversation with international delegations, including China, M. Stalin, replying to enquiries, said that the Soviet had not joined the League of Nations because it did not wish to assume the responsibility for imperialist machinations, for which the League was the screen.

He explained that the reason why the Social-Democrat party had not been permitted to exist in Russia was because it had become a party of open counter-revolution, had sided with Kolchak and Denikin, and had favoured the restoration of capitalism, and the abolition of the dictatorship of the proletariat.

M. Stalin emphasised that the bourgeoisie could not for the present hope for the freedom of the press, but he claimed that no other State had afforded such freedom for the proletariat.

There was one case of cerebro-spinal fever reported to the Medical Officer of Health during the forty-eight hours ended Friday.

UNITY FOR THE
KUOMINTANG?CONCERTED ACTION IS
FORECAST.

WANG CHING-WEI SPEAKS.

"Not long after the Northern Expedition last year, Comrade Chiang Kai-shek wirelessed me requesting my return to China and expressing his misanthropic standpoints in connection with the March 20th incident, which was entirely engineered through the Communists' intrigues," said Mr. Wang Ching-wei in a speech at Whampao during the week-end, and added:

On my return, Comrade Chiang insisted upon expelling the dangerous Communist elements, while I advocated the convention of the 4th Committee Congress to solve that serious problem. As a result of the differences, I then left Nanking for Hankow, where I became fully aware of the Communist subversive activity, yet totally in the dark. In the meanwhile, Mr. Sun Fo objected to the congress to be held at Nanking.

Afterwards the Comrades at Hankow decided to immediately institute the "Party Purging" movement, upon discovery of a secret order from the Communist Party of Soviet Russia instructing the Chinese Communists to separate from the Kuomintang, with the exception of those working in the armies whom they expected to employ dangerous methods possible to convert them into Communist armies. Consequently I travelled the 4th and 11th Armies far away from Hankow, and a rebellion of Yit-Ho Communist troops soon followed at Nanchang.

From objective observation, it may be understood that, as regards expulsions of the Communists, it is not Comrade Chiang's fault of being too extreme in action, but mine. I have much confidence in Comrade Chiang, as being one of those working for the welfare of our Party.

Now, besides deeply repenting of my past actions, I express my sincere understanding towards Chiang, and determine to work with him in future in a more co-operative spirit, so as to amend my wrongs.

It is authoritatively understood that Mr. Wang and General Chiang have come to good terms through the mediation of Mr. T. V. Soong.

LOCAL ESTATES IN
ADMINISTRATION.WILL OF THE LATE MR.
R. PERRY.

Mr. R. Perry, of Mullartown, Annalong, County Down, Ireland, formerly of Hongkong, who died at 48 Stone Crescent, Greenock, Scotland, on June 1, this year, left Hongkong estate to the value of \$10,100, and also estate in Scotland.

Re-sealing of probate has been granted to Mr. G. G. N. Tinson, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, who is the attorney of Mr. W. Rodgers, of Annalong, Ireland, and Mr. R. Allan, 48 Stone Crescent, Greenock, the executors named in the will.

He bequeaths everything, both real and personal, to his three children, being the wives of the two executors, Mrs. Rodgers and Mrs. Allan; and Mr. R. Perry, c/o the Douglas S.S. Company, Hongkong. In the event of the death of any of the beneficiaries the share is to go in equal shares to any children.

Swatow Woman's Estate. Probate of the will of Che Fan-shi, a married woman, who died on April 3 this year at 16 Hing Wah Lane, Swatow, leaving Hongkong estate to the value of \$2,400, has been granted to her son, Che Po-kam, 210 Des Voeux Road Central.

In her will she states that she acquired a half share in premises at 59a Queen's Road Central, and this she bequeaths to her son.

BAIL ESTREATED.

MARINE COURT CASES.

Several minor cases were heard in the Marine Court this morning, and in one where the master of a trading junk was charged with failing to show regulation lights whilst navigating the harbour, accused not appearing, Police bail of \$20 was estreated.

Two junk mistresses were charged with mooring their craft inshore during dark hours, and one steersman failing to show regulation lights.

All pleaded guilty, and were severally fined \$10, with the alternative of 10 days' imprisonment with hard labour.

The fines were paid in all cases.

THE GUARDIANS OF
HUMANITY.THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY
LECTURE.

YESTERDAY'S DISCOURSE.

At Sunday's public meeting of the Hongkong Lodge Theosophical Society, at the lounge of Lane Crawford's Restaurant, Mr. H. E. Lanepart gave an address on "The Guardians of Humanity" in the course of which he said in brief:

Students of history are mostly interested in the story of human life from the standpoint of this world, not imagining that behind all the kings and generals and great leaders and statesmen who seem to dominate the people and to impress their will on the nations, there are Powers which are the real controllers of the destinies of nations, which keep a careful watch over the course of humanity and which are continually concerning themselves with the welfare of the race as a whole.

It is these Powers which we call the Guardians of Humanity, including in that name different classes of intelligences, some superhuman, other not above humanity. In this the materialistic and spiritualistic teachings stand over against each other in sharp antagonism.

The former regards the world as a huge machine, in which the blind unconscious forces of nature make changes of the earth and in the of evolution. The spiritualistic view, however, sees the world and all it contains as a living organism, in which every force is the veil of an Intelligence, constantly working to bring about a foreseen end; it sees the world, as the field of evolution not of humanity only, but of other lines of life as well, a field on which visible and (to ordinary sight) invisible inhabitants are ever intermingling, aiding and hindering each other, and it sees also this world not as isolated unit, related to other planets merely by mechanical forces, but as interlinked with other worlds by bonds of sympathy and helpfulness, watched over, shaped, and guided by superhuman intelligences.

It discerns in all the changes of the earth and in the events of history the outlines of a settled plan which harmonises human activities with cosmic progress, utilizes ignorance in the service of wisdom, and evolves perfection through imperfections, and works by law to uplift and to bless, to evoke and to nurture the divine nature in man. All that is best in West and East, successively carried to each by the conquering forces of the other, is at last to be made common property and to blend into the Perfect Man.

Liberated Spirits.

Religions often refer to some of these higher intelligences as Archangels, Devas, Gods, Shining Ones, National Angels, or again as the Elder Brothers of Humanity, the "First-born among many brethren." It is to these that the title "The Guardians of Humanity" may most fitly be applied. It is these great Beings, or Masters, who are the liberated spirits, "the saved," the "Pillars in the Temple of God," who shall go out into rebirth, no more. Bearing on Their shoulders the heavy task of directing the evolution of the human race, they are the great Founders of the many Religions which have been given in various ages for the uplifting and purification of man. They it is, appearing in the world age after age, who show out to man the Light of Their Divinity, and ever point out to men the paths that lead from the unreal to the real, from ignorance to knowledge, from sorrow to bliss. They it is, who throw into receptive minds ideas which illuminate; and They it is, also, who, ever scanning the serried ranks of the race They guide, see every spark of spirituality shining in men's hearts and fan the spark into a bright flame and lift the aspirant into discipleship, draw him into co-operation with Their work, and thus strengthen the force which lifts, thus multiply the hands which toil for the salvation of the human race. This great Brotherhood of the Guardians of Humanity has, in our own days of transition of the dawn of the New Age, sent out some of its members into the world of man, to renew the spiritual impulse which had grown feeble and threatened to disappear. These, summoning Their disciples to renewed visible activity, have sent out the new wave of spirituality called The Theosophical Movement and founded as Their Instrument in the world of men The Theosophical Society, made of those who would rather steer than drift who would rather carry than be carried along. It is for The Theosophical Society to act as the herald of a new civilization, to supply the builders of the future, to spread the ideals of the New Age, the knowledge of the Spirit in Man, that men might intelligently co-operate with It and know themselves as one.

A widow, residing at No. 20 Kowloon City Road, reports that on Friday she entrusted a fold with four huge baskets of fruit to be taken to Un Long market for sale. She has not seen the coolie again and believes he has absconded with the proceeds of the sale, which is placed at \$125.

SENATOR BINGHAM
AND THE PRESS.A MISREPRESENTATION
COMPLAINT.

CHINA POLICY STATEMENT.

The *North-China Daily News* has received from Mr. Warren Manley, Secretary of the American Chamber of Commerce the letter printed below to which Mr. Manley makes the following addenda:

Note:—The words italicized in the letter were underlined by Senator Bingham.

In the view of the publicity which has been given to an article purporting to have quoted Senator Bingham in the *Literary Digest* of October 15 by the local press, the American Chamber of Commerce, in fairness to Senator Bingham, feels justified in giving publicity to the above letter, which has been received by the Secretary of the American Chamber of Commerce, in answer to an inquiry relative to other statements which were misquoted.

The American Chamber of Commerce felt that the letter from Senator Bingham clearly sets forth his views on the situation in China:

United States Senate,
Washington, D.C.
Salem, via Colchester,
Connecticut.

October 4, 1927.

Dear Mr. Manley:—Your two letters of September 8 are at hand for which please accept my thanks.

With regard to your question as to the statement I issued, it is as usual with newspaper statements, partly correct and partly incorrect. I am in favour of assisting the Chinese to create strong regional governments. I do believe that there is little indication of any one being able to effect the unification of China on a permanent basis. I do believe that the United States should commence to discuss with the *de facto* governments the drawing up of new treaties, particularly pertaining to the tariff. I do not believe that extraterritoriality can be given up at present, but I should like to see treaties prepared looking towards its eventual abrogation, but making that abrogation dependent on greatly improved conditions in regard to Chinese courts and Chinese justice. I do not believe that the time has come or is likely to arrive in the near future when the concessions can wisely be given up or our gunboats and marines be withdrawn. As the *Shanghai Times* says: "I have been repeatedly misquoted and misrepresented in what I have tried to say about China. The mistakes are so consistently in favour of the extreme Nationalist's view that I cannot avoid the conclusion that I have been frequently deliberately misquoted and misrepresented by the over-enthusiastic friends of the Nationalist cause. This misrepresentation began while I was still in Peking with an extraordinary story carried by the Associated Press that I had been robbed by Northern soldiers, a story without any basis of fact whatsoever. It is very annoying to have one's friendly feelings towards the Chinese and one's efforts to promote good relations with China turned into advocacy for the immediate abrogation of the treaties."

Question of Headlines.

Of course the reporter who sent the dispatch might justifiably claim that in using the words "as soon as possible" he had attempted to condense my ideas correctly, while the man who wrote the headlines in the *Shanghai Times* on Wednesday, September 7 was not justified in saying "Senator Bingham wants immediate action from America." As a matter of fact there is a world of difference between "immediate action" and "as soon as possible." This ought to be apparent to any one who is familiar with the present chaotic situation in China.

The *Shanghai Times* also made the matter worse in their editorial by misquoting the dispatch and using the words "as quickly as possible." I think it will be agreed that the impression gained by the words "as quickly as possible" implies more immediate action than the words "as soon as possible."

It is to be hoped that my friends in China will not continue to be misled by condensed cables which would tend to give the impression that I have changed my views since leaving Shanghai.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) HIRSH BINGHAM.
Mr. Warren Manley, Secretary, American Chamber of Commerce, P. O. Box 357, Shanghai, China. P. S. I think the whole trouble really arose from the headlines.

The first paper of the 1927-1928 season on Gas (its distribution and uses) will be read by Mr. A. Hevey, at the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders of Hongkong, on Friday, November 18th at 5.45 p.m. Mr. W. J. Hill will preside. Members and their friends are invited to attend.

RUNNING BATTLE IN
SHANGHAI.ARMED ROBBER SHOT BY
POLICE.

A NIGHT'S OPERATIONS.

The police in Bubbling Well and Yangtzepoo districts, of Shanghai, both of which have been in the public eye lately, continued the good work on Friday night and arrested five armed robbers. In one instance the police fired twelve shots.

In Yangtzepoo, four armed men just after 7 p.m., entered an unnumbered house off Lay Road, but found nothing of value except a pair of bangles. The inmates reported the matter to the station. Within a few minutes Chinese detectives had found the house in which they had taken refuge. A posse was sent out from the station, the house surrounded and four men inside were captured and taken to the cells. The officers recovered the bangles and seized two pistols. The men will appear at the Provisional Court, where Det.-Sgt. Moir, recently awarded the Distinguished Conduct Medal, will ask for a remand.

The other affair was characterized by a running battle between police and five armed robbers in the residential district near Bubbling Well Cemetery. In all 15 shots were fired. Four armed men entered a rice shop at 133 Annam Road. They made off with \$45, and the victims raised an alarm. A police party on patrol in the vicinity responded and gave chase. Both parties fired as they ran from Annam Road into Hart Road, where a police bullet dropped a robber. Whilst he was being attended, others carried on, but the robbers separated and eluded their pursuers in alleyways. The police fired twelve times, the robbers three shots. A motorman was struck by a stray bullet, but it is not believed that his injuries are serious.

SUGGESTED ROYAL
MARRIAGE.RELIGIOUS DIFFICULTIES
REPORTED.

King Boris's audience with the Pope has failed to overcome the difficulties which have, so far, prevented the announcement of his engagement to Princess Giovanna, the King of Italy's daughter, says a Rome message of mail week.

A Papal dispensation would be indispensable to the marriage, implying an undertaking that the children would be brought up in the Catholic faith.

King Boris, though born a Catholic, joined the Orthodox Church to succeed his father as King of Bulgaria. Similar action by Ferdinand was not forgiven by the Pope until a year ago, when he purposely came to Rome to plead for a pardon.

It is not likely that, according to the Bulgarian Constitution, King Boris would be allowed to bring up his children in the Catholic faith, thus implying that the future King of Bulgaria would be a Catholic.

It also appears that neither the King nor Queen of Italy are insisting upon the dispensation owing to the unsettled state of Bulgaria.

King Boris and the Princess are reported to be very much in love with one another.

[Photographs of King Boris and Princess Giovanna appear elsewhere in this issue.]

HOW MUCH DO YOU
KNOW?

TO-DAY'S QUESTIONS.

The following general knowledge paper has been taken from the *Daily Express*. Answers, for those who need them, will be found on Page 14 of this issue.

- 1 In which country have we both an ambassador and a minister plenipotentiary?
- 2 What is prolepsis?
- 3 Who founded the "Old Vic"?
- 4 What were the original suit markings on cards?
- 5 Who said "All in for the best in the best of all possible worlds"?
- 6 Whom did Richard Cœur de Lion marry, and where?
- 7 What is the strictest order of Roman Catholicism?
- 8 Who is the only English Rajah?
- 9 What is the origin of the name "Elephant and Castle"?
- 10 Who said "The pen is mightier than the sword"?
- 11 How many Crown Colonies are there?
- 12 Which famous English classic has as a sub-title, "An agony in eight days"?

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HOME FOOTBALL.

SATURDAY'S RESULTS.

All results of the Home football matches played on Saturday are as follows:

Division I.	
1. Tottenham	1
2. Birmingham	1
3. Newcastle	1
4. Everton	2
5. Wednesday	2
6. Blackburn	2
7. Huddersfield	2
8. Manchester U.	2
9. Cardiff	0

Division II.	
1. Southampton	1
2. Clapton	2
3. Reading	2
4. Chelsea	1
5. Blackpool	1
6. Oldham	1
7. West Brom.	3
8. Grimsby	1
9. Bristol C.	1
10. Notts. County	2

Division III (South).	
1. Northants	2
2. Norwich	3
3. Brighton	1
4. Brighton	1
5. Brighton	1
6. Brighton	1
7. Brighton	1
8. Brighton	1
9. Brighton	1
10. Brighton	1

Division III (North).	
1. Durham	0
2. Durham	0
3. Durham	0
4. Durham	0
5. Durham	0
6. Durham	0
7. Durham	0
8. Durham	0
9. Durham	0
10. Durham	0

Division III (West).	
1. Bolton	1
2. Bolton	1
3. Bolton	1
4. Bolton	1
5. Bolton	1
6. Bolton	1
7. Bolton	1
8. Bolton	1
9. Bolton	1
10. Bolton	1

Division III (East).	
1. Luton	1
2. Luton	1
3. Luton	1
4. Luton	1
5. Luton	1
6. Luton	1
7. Luton	1
8. Luton	1
9. Luton	1
10. Luton	1

Division III (Central).	
1. Exeter	1
2. Exeter	1
3. Exeter	1
4. Exeter	1
5. Exeter	1
6. Exeter	1
7. Exeter	1
8. Exeter	1
9. Exeter	1
10. Exeter	1

Division III (South-West).	
1. Plymouth	1
2. Plymouth	1
3. Plymouth	1
4. Plymouth	1
5. Plymouth	1
6. Plymouth	1
7. Plymouth	1
8. Plymouth	1
9. Plymouth	1
10. Plymouth	1

Division III (North-West).	
1. Carlisle	1
2. Carlisle	1
3. Carlisle	1
4. Carlisle	1
5. Carlisle	1
6. Carlisle	1
7. Carlisle	1
8. Carlisle	1
9. Carlisle	1
10. Carlisle	1

Division III (East-End).	
1. Millwall	1
2. Millwall	1
3. Millwall	1
4. Millwall	1
5. Millwall	1
6. Millwall	1
7. Millwall	1
8. Millwall	1
9. Millwall	1
10. Millwall	1

Division III (West-End).	
1. Gillingham	1
2. Gillingham	1
3. Gillingham	1
4. Gillingham	1
5. Gillingham	1
6. Gillingham	1
7. Gillingham	1
8. Gillingham	1
9. Gillingham	1
10. Gillingham	1

Division III (Central-End).	
1. Walsall	1
2. Walsall	1
3. Walsall	1
4. Walsall	1
5. Walsall	1
6. Walsall	1
7. Walsall	1
8. Walsall	1
9. Walsall	1
10. Walsall	1

Division III (South-End).	
1. Torquay	1
2. Torquay	1
3. Torquay	1
4. Torquay	1
5. Torquay	1
6. Torquay	1
7. Torquay	1
8. Torquay	1
9. Torquay	1
10. Torquay	1

Division III (North-End).	
1. Bradford	1
2. Bradford	1
3. Bradford	1
4. Bradford	1
5. Bradford	1
6. Bradford	1
7. Bradford	1
8. Bradford	1
9. Bradford	1
10. Bradford	1

YACHTING.

RESULTS OF SATURDAY'S RACING.

The second Championship race was held on Saturday and an enjoyable afternoon was spent by those who took part. Entries in the different classes were quite good.

There was also a race for whalers from M. M. Warships. P. O. Gibbs, sailing the Ambrose boat, returned the best time.

The results were as follows:

Racing Yachts.

Course—Channel Rocks (P.), Kowloon Rock (S.), Lyman Beacon (S.), Mark on line (S.) and Cust Rock (S.). Distance 8.6 miles.

"H" Class.

Fin. Cor. Time Time

Diana 4:08.22 4:07.66

Colleen 4:14.29 4:07.19

Argyll II 4:15.45 4:05.41

Argyll III 4:14.16 4:04.14

Dorothy 4:12.13 4:03.37

"I. & G." Class.

Fin. Cor. Time Time

Daphne 4:22.44 4:22.44

Alisa 4:27.25 4:27.25

Halcyon 4:25.59 4:25.59

Gael 4:31.09 4:24.42

Pierette 4:25.43 4:19.69

Thecla D. N. F.

Viking 4:31.45 4:21.90

Joan 4:27.25 4:21.91

"V" Class.

Fin. Cor. Time Time

Why Wonder? 4:28.04 4:28.04

Alisa 4:32.56 4:32.56

Halcyon 4:31.02 4:31.02

Boatman 4:30.26 4:30.26

Alisa 4:31.08 4:31.08

Adrianne 4:29.43 4:29.43

Zephyr 4:39.06 4:36.57

Lola 4:32.14 4:26.30

Service Sailing.

Course—Channel Rocks (P.), Kowloon Rock (P.), Cust Rock (P.).

Fin. Cor. Time Time

"Ambrose" 4:11.56 4:11.56

"Argus" 4:12.50 4:12.50

"Iroquois" 4:14.15 4:14.15

Three were whalers.

Cruiser Championship.

The first race for the cruiser championship was sailed yesterday.

Course from Dutton Rock (S.) Stone-Island (S.) Mark on line (P.) and Channel Rocks (S.), a distance of 20.7 miles. There was a light wind and two of the starters failed to finish. The winner was Norseman.

Fin. Time. Cor. Time

Norseman 4:44.03 3:59.12

Curlew 4:58.54 4:10.26

U & I 4:39.10 4:18.28

La Cigale 4:25.28 4:25.28

Coquette 5:00.09 4:38.33

Typhoon 5:28.48 4:43.57

Queen Bee 5:45.54 4:52.25

Tony II D.N.F.

Imogen D.N.F.

"C" Class.

Owing to lack of wind the course was shortened for the Chinese rigged cruisers to a distance of 17.5 miles.

Fin. Time. Cor. Time

Helen 5:23.15 5:23.15

Dorothy II D.N.F.

Scottish League.

P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.

1. Celtic 14 10 3 32 18 21

2. Rangers 14 10 3 32 18 21

3. Celtic 14 10 3 32 18 21

4. Celtic 14 10 3 32 18 21

5. Celtic 14 10 3 32 18 21

INTERPORT CRICKET.

ANOTHER TRIAL MATCH.

The Interport practice match concluded on Saturday, with a victory for the Interports, who, in reply to a total of 75 by Capt. Morris's XI, put together 257 for the loss of only seven wickets. Going in a second time, Capt. Morris's side had made 94 for four wickets when stumps were drawn.

With 118 on the board for the loss of two wickets, Fincher (25) and Ramsay (7), the overnight not outs, continued the innings, the attack being in charge of Capt. Erskine, at the Naval Yard end, and Capt. Thorp, at the Interport end. Fincher had only added a couple to his total when he got his leg in front of a straight ball from Thorp and received marching orders. Ramsay, Pearce and Sayer lost their wickets in quick succession. The Kowloon man fell to a catch at square leg off Thorp. Pearce in trying to pull Erskine to the leg boundary, hit right across a full toss and had his stumps upset, whilst Sayer was caught before scoring.

Dale and Dobbie, however, improved matters. They played bright cricket and the score rapidly mounted. Dale had collected 39 when he was bowled by Reed, whom he had twice in succession despatched to the boundary just previously. Dobbie, joined by Hankey, hit hard all round the wicket and showed that he has regained his old batting form. He was 57 not out, when the innings was brought to a close, with 257 on the board for the loss of seven wickets.

Capt. Morris's XI—1st Innings 75.
A. W. Hayward, c. Lammer, b. Hynes 50
W. Bruce, b. Reed 49
E. C. Fincher, b. Thorp 37
A. W. Ramsay, c. Thomson, b. Thorp 12
T. E. Pearce, b. Erskine 10
G. R. Sayer, c. Morris, b. Erskine 9
Lieut. D. B. Reed 24
Capt. Dobbie, not out 57
Lieut. Hankey, not out 26
Extras 18

Total (for 7 wts. dec.) 257

F. Goodwin and C. D. Wales did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.

O. M. R. W.

Erskine 14 52 2

Reed 14 4 10

Thomson 14 4 10

Thorp 14 4 10

Dynes 8 43 1

Capt. Morris's XI—2nd Innings 75.

Capt. Morris, c. B. Reed 39

Lieut. D. B. Reed 24

Capt. Dobbie, not out 57

Lieut. Hankey, not out 26

Extras 18

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LOCAL HOCKEY.

CLUB DEFEAT THE WASEDA UNIVERSITY.

The Waseda University of Japan were defeated by the Hongkong Hockey Club by two goals to one at King's Park on Saturday afternoon, in a game that was fast and well-contested.

The Japanese were unfortunate in losing right before the interval, when he had to retire through being struck in the face by the ball. Hirai had been playing exceptionally well, and his absence greatly weakened the team and gave Lammer confidence, and his absence greatly weakened the team and gave Lammer confidence.

It was a game that provided considerable excitement, and although the Japanese usually inspired more confidence near goal, the Club played well together and tested K. Ono, the goalkeeper, on numerous occasions. Lockhart-Smith, in goal for the Club, was inclined to run out a lot, and the only point scored by the University was shot into an open goal.

Until Hirai was injured, much of the play took place in the Club half and middlefield, although on several occasions the Club got away in fine style, but found K. Nishida and T. Kuno, the backs, very strong. After several hot times round the Club goal, Nakajima placed the ball into an open goal.

Stimulated by this reverse, the Club redoubled their efforts, and the equalizer was obtained by Sampson. The interval arrived with the scores level.

Narrow Escapes.

The University played the whole of the second half with ten men, and for a large part of the half were largely called upon to defend. Their goal had several narrow escapes, Lammer getting away well on several occasions. Whitley put the Club ahead with a good goal. Towards the closing stages, the Japanese attacked, but with no results. Five minutes from the end, Hara put the ball into the Club's goal just after the whistle had sounded for an infringement, and the point was disallowed.

Bowling Analysis.

O. M. R. W.

Leach 12.3 4 26 5

Hargreaves-Brown 6 2 26 4

Fincher 6 1 15 4

AIR FORCE v. INDIAN R.C.

At Sookunpo, the Air Force suffered a heavy defeat at the hands of the I.R.C. Currie, for the Indians, was in splendid form, capturing seven wickets at a cost of nine runs. He also scored 56 runs for his side. The air-men were all dismissed for a meagre 28.

C.S.C.C. v. C.R.C.

Two individual centuries were scored in the match between the Civil Service C.C. and the C.R.C. The result was a draw, the Chinese managing to play out time. The C.S.C.C. scored 246 for 3 wickets, Wood and de Rome being unbeaten after scoring 102 and 103 respectively.

C.C.C. v. ELECTRIC R.C.

Playing on the Craigiepower ground, the C.C.C. drew with the Electric Company. Batting first, the Electric Company obtained 157 runs, of which 41 came from "Mr. Extras." Craigiepower replied with 112 for five wickets, Omar contributing 63.

H.K.C.C. 2nd v. NAVY 2nd.

Playing on the U.S.R.C. ground, the above match resulted in a draw, the H.K.C.C. scoring 164 runs for seven wickets. The Navy replied with 120 for the loss of four wickets.

Recreio v. Queen's.

At King's Park, the Club de Releio were defeated by the Queen's Regiment. The home team batted first and were dismissed for 107 runs. The visitors passed that score with only five wickets down. Clark was top-scorer with 47.

R.A.O.C. v. Queen's Regt.

These two service teams met in a friendly match, which resulted in a win for the former by 121 runs to 77.

League Tables.

The positions in the League to date are:

Division I.

P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.

1. Indian R.C. "A" 2 2 0 0 6

2. Royal Navy 1 1 0 0 3

3. Civil Service C.C. 1 1 0 0 3

4. University 1 1 0 0 3

5. Craigiepower C.C. 1 1 0 0 3

6. Royal Artillery 1 1 0 0 3

7. Chinese R.C. 2 0 0 2 0

8. Indian R.C. "B" 3 0 0 3 0

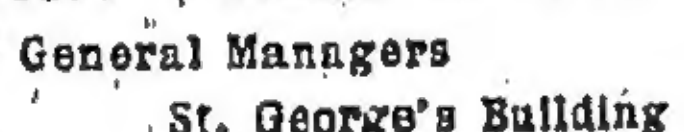
9. Kowloon C.C. 0 0 0 0 0

Division II.

P.

St. George's Building.

(Old Fire Station.)



The health bulletin of Eastern ports for the week ended November 6, issued by the Principal Civil Medical Officer, contains the following cases: Plague, Rangoon, Maceassar, 2 each; Bassein; Bangkok and Sourabaya 1 each; Cholera, Tuticorin 5, Singapore, Bangkok and Canton, 1 each; Small-pox, Basrah 3, Tuticorin 11, Samarinda 5, Kuching and Saigon 1 each.

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the memorial as a "tribute to the
who helped us in our hour
need."—*British Wireless*.

Commissar, explained that the interruption in the delivery of supplies was caused by panic, and exhorted his hearers to sobriety and to agitate housewives, as the

ITS QUALITY
THAT COUNT

NEW SERIAL STORY

THE MERAFIELD MYSTERY.

By R. A. J. WALLING.
(Author of "The Third Degree," "Fatal
Glove," etc.)

CHAPTER XXV.

To me, of course, the Merafield Mystery had for a long time been very little mysterious. There were points in it which I could not quite pick up, but the main outlines of the truth were clear.

Merafield had been killed, not by Overbury, but by somebody else, for reasons which I guessed at, was protected by Overbury, by Quance, by Professor Newland and by his daughter. He was the man whose deathly figure I had seen on the deck of the Belle Rose. Merafield's murderer was now well on his way across Channel towards Professor Newland's refuge on the coast of Brittany.

Rossiter left me at the gate of Rosbank. I slept long. Before I was up in the morning Mary Newland (I still thought of her as "Mrs. Briscoe") had left.

The first consequence of the "plant" was that Rossiter discovered the Belle Rose, as I meant him to do. In searching the estuary for Overbury's body, he was bound to come across it, and he did. I calculated that the finding of the Belle Rose would have two results.

First, it would lend conviction to the theory that Overbury had been drowned. A cap found on the waterside was not much in itself. But add to it a motor-boat waiting for the owner of the cap, who never turned up, and you had an absolute presumption of fatal mishap.

Next, it would start a new hare for the police. It would not be long before the identity of the Belle Rose was disclosed; Lillie Rose would tell his story, and a personage would be brought into the inquiry who could certainly not be Overbury.

It happened precisely so. In two days the Merafield mystery was again the staple sensation of the newspapers. They learned that the murderer had been in hiding in the very house where he committed his crime. With the help of an accomplice (who could not be Quance, because Quance was in gaol) he had attempted to get away in a disguised motor-boat, but had fallen into the water and been drowned.

There were lots of missing links in this story, but it was good enough. It switched off the police to search for the missing accomplice, and it turned public sentiment in favour of Lady Merafield and Quance. Where there was so much cloud in the solution, the dogmatic certainty of the police about their original theory seemed stupid.

I think it highly probable that, without the revelation of Overbury's innocence which came, Lady Merafield and Quance would soon have been set at liberty. But, as everybody knows, the revelation came in less than a week from the raid on Merafield Tower.

When the case was called on the next remand date, there was something in the air that promised unusual events. Grainger was full of an "I told you so" sort of importance. Beside Ronald and subdued. Beside Ronald, Grainger appeared a learned counsel from London by the Public Prosecutor, and there was much whispered consultation before Lady Merafield and Quance were ushered in.

Lady Merafield had a higher colour, and her eyes were brighter. There was a glint of amusement in the look of the imperturbable Quance.

The learned counsel for the Crown, as soon as I had read the charge, rose to say that he hoped the proceedings might be "much shortened, and with that purpose in view he would ask the bench to allow his learned friend, Mr. Greene, to make a statement at once.

Then Greene produced his trump card, with the preliminary remark that he was going to ask the magistrates, with the assent of the prosecution, to discharge the prisoners that morning.

Since the last hearing, he went on, the real facts of this crime had come to light, and there was now evidence to show that both the prisoners were perfectly innocent victims of circumstances, and should not be longer subjected to the confinement or suspicion. The prosecution agreed that this was a correct view of the matter. The essential evidence was contained in the sworn depositions which he handed in, and of which he would read a copy.

"They were," said Greene, "taken under circumstances with which I need not worry the court, in my presence, before a judge of instruction of the District of

Crozon, in Brittany, and for legal purposes are in proper form. The reason why they were taken in that place, and in that way is that the deponent lay at the point of death, and has, in fact, since died. He was being cared for in that place by a friend of my own, and the deponent himself was well known to me. My friend, realising that the dying man wished to make this deposition, begged me to be present in order that the matter might be made quite clear to this court and placed beyond the shadow of all doubt. I left London three days ago for Brittany, and returned during last night. The deposition was taken yesterday morning, and I have learnt by telegraph that the deponent died at four o'clock yesterday afternoon, after I had left. I have satisfied the police, and the necessary documents will be forwarded in due course."

Everybody in the room followed Greene's dry and formal words in dead silence and strained attention.

"The court know, or the learned clerk will advise the court, that a dying declaration taken under even less formal circumstances than these may be admitted as evidence so long as the declarer undoubtedly entertained a settled and hopeless expectation of death."

I nodded assent to this. "Here," Greene proceeded, "exists no doubt at all. The deponent had been told by the doctors who attended him that he had not long to live, and he actually died within a few hours. The statements he made were therefore uttered under conditions of solemnity, which guarantee, if anything in this world can guarantee, the truth."

Then Greene read to his breathless audience the following deposition:

"I, Richard Manley Radley Vinson, of 13, George Street, in the Parish of St. Charles, in the district of Paddington, London, being in full possession of my mental faculties, but lying in settled and hopeless expectation of death, do make oath and say as follows:

"On the 20th of August, 1925, at or about 2.30 of the clock in the morning, at Merafield Tower, in the county of Devon, I shot and killed Richard Merafield of that place. I declare that no person had immediate cognisance of my intention to kill the said Richard Merafield, but I declare that I believe my intention was suspected by Bertram Quance, and that the said Bertram Quance endeavoured by all the means in his power to prevent me from killing Richard Merafield."

"I further declare that I had no accomplice and no agent or assistant, and that the act of killing Richard Merafield was my own unaided and deliberate act."

"I do not repent or regret my act. I believe it to have been a just punishment of a crime which the Law could not punish."

"I declare that I deliberately refuse to state the motive of my act in any other than those general terms, as the account between me and Richard Merafield is settled, and I desire that the memory of certain persons shall not be sullied by the revelation of these facts."

"I make this declaration in order that persons wrongly accused of being privy to the death of Richard Merafield may not suffer by my silence."

"Given under my hand, in a settled and hopeless expectation of death, this 12th day of September, in the Year of Our Lord, 1925."

"Signed in the presence of Ronald Greene, Stanley Newland, Arnold Petricolas, and R. M. Radley Vinson."

The stunning effect of this surprise upon the Court has already been sufficiently described in the newspapers.

Greene added a few words to round off the official story. He said that the question of the motive for the crime might be gone into if the court pleased, but that neither he nor the prosecution thought it necessary unless the Court wished.

I wondered somewhat at the attitude of the prosecution, for they might have gone on with the case for complicity after the event. But the reason subsequently appeared to be that if the full facts were made known no jury would convict, in spite of the undoubted evidence of complicity which existed.

Greene went into the box and swore to the circumstances of the deposition. Counsel for the prosecution announced the withdrawal of the charge, and Lady Merafield and Quance were set at liberty.

So far as public developments were concerned, that was the end of the Merafield case. Of course, the public were not satisfied with the meagre revelations made in the Court room, and the journalists got to work more or less reliable details of the story, including a version of the vendetta of Radley Vinson against Sir Charles Merafield.

Happily, however, for the peace of mind of Lady Merafield, and particularly of Newland and his daughter, they had to be satisfied with much less than a full account.

The explanation of such of the facts as I had not been able to deduce from the events of the previous few weeks was given to me by Ronald Greene, who did me the honour of lunching at Rosebank before he returned to London. He asked me how I got started on a career that might have led to my undoing—"terrible fall of a respected family solicitor, horrible story of a magistrates' clerk," and all that sort of thing.

"Lady Merafield," I said, "I did not think her guilty. Overbury—I did not believe he was an ass. Quance—I saw there was mystery behind Quance. Of course, it was easy to get the hypothesis of a fourth party who had not appeared in sight. In fact, the hypothesis was necessary. But I could not deduce Vinson. I never heard of him till you produced his deposition. But I got very near him when I was last at Chittlehamstead. However, you're going to tell me all about it, Greene. Why is it that half a dozen people, excellent citizens, and some of them eminent (here I howled to him) 'have been conspiring to secure the safety of a man whom they all knew to have committed a murder'?"

"You're a dry-as-dust old lawyer, after all, Franks," he replied. "Isn't there any condition you can imagine which, in your opinion, would justify homicide?"

"I'm not arguing, said I, 'I want to know. Of course, there is justifiable homicide known to law; but I don't think this comes under the legal heading.'"

"As a lawyer," said Greene, "I agree with you. As a man, I tell you I never knew of a homicide with clearer justification than this. Let me tell you the story."

"I can save you some time," I said. "I have guessed the frightful crime that Merafield committed—the betrayal and the desertion of Miss Vinson on the eve of her marriage, with the result of her death and the death of her child at Chittlehamstead, and the subsequent serious illness of Miss Newland. I pierced through all this except the names of the parties some time ago."

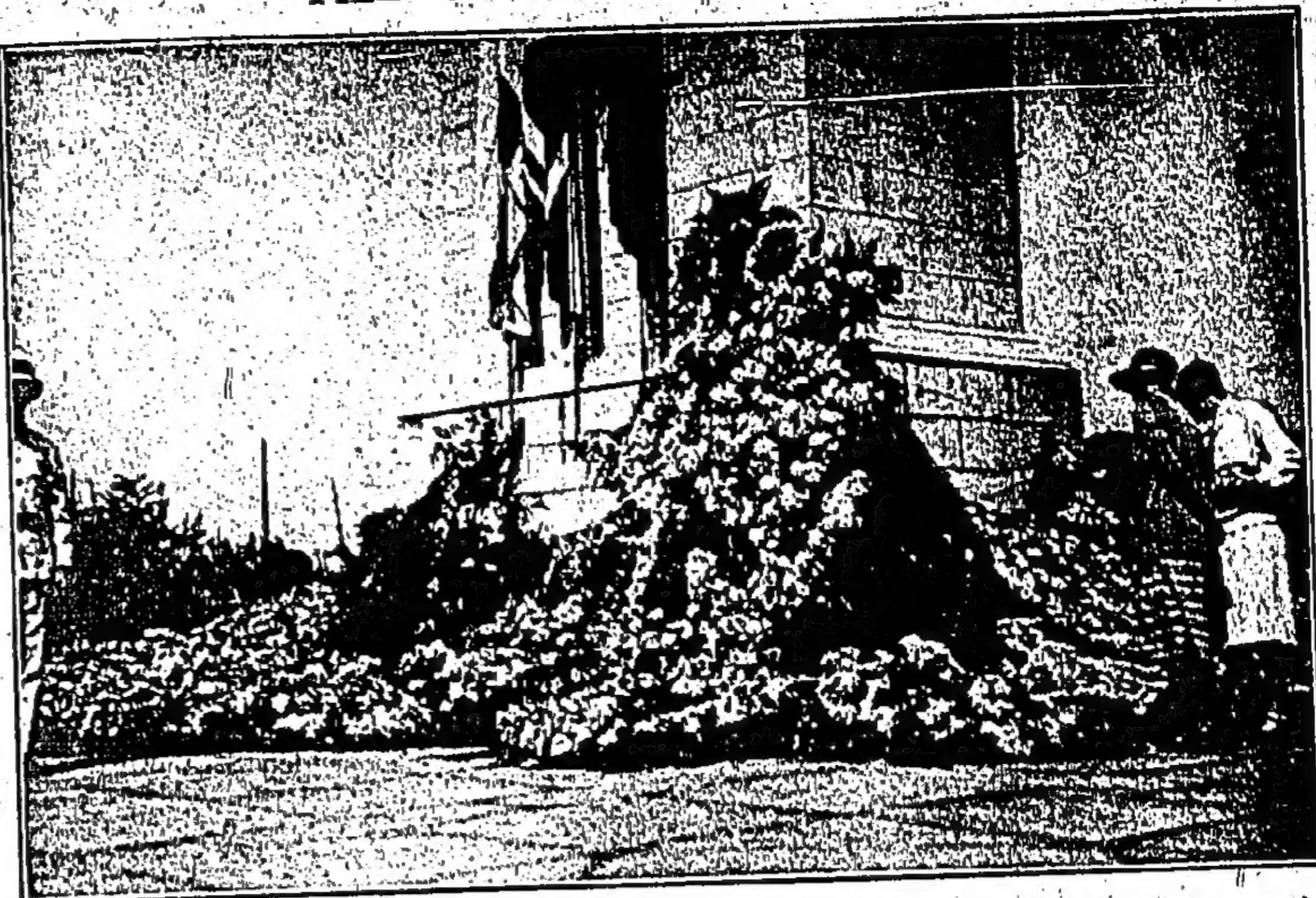
"Then you have practically the whole story," said Greene. "But you can hardly know how it affected a little group of friends—Newland, myself, Quance and Vinson. Radley Vinson was a man in a hundred thousand, my very dear friend, almost a brother. His lovely girl was his only child. He was an artist of genius, and a scholar, and a great gentleman. Ann Vinson went to school with Mary Newland and my daughter. Quance was in love with Mary Newland. When this reptile Merafield squeezed his way into the girl's acquaintance he became the serpent in a paradise. Fortunately for her, my girl saw through him. Mary Newland had a narrow escape. Ann Vinson became his victim."

"Then Vinson went berserk. He did not know the man who was responsible. The girl disappeared. Vinson's whole life was darkened. Those of us who knew what had happened—we knew it through Mary Newland—were afraid to tell him, especially when Merafield had married Mary Sheen. Mary Newland went to the distant nursing home to look after her friend. We hoped we might save Vinson's mind if his daughter could be restored to him when it was all over; but she died, and he had to be told of her death. He vowed his life to the discovery of the man who had ruined it."

"Newland, Quance and I could see awful tragedy staring us in the face. We sent Quance to Merafield to tell him of the danger, and the scoundrel was frightened to death. Any one of us would have willingly killed him, but we did not want to see the horror of a trial of Radley Vinson for murder, and we were certain that as soon as he traced down Merafield he would murder him. Then we heard that Vinson was in Devonshire, and we thought it was time for somebody to be on the 'qui vive' to prevent a tragedy. So the arrangement was made for Quance to go to Merafield Tower."

"It's all quite clear, Greene," said I, "except about Overbury. Overbury had no business in it at all. He was a witness in it. But the fact that he was in it shows the foul mind of Merafield. You can hardly believe, can you, that at the very time when he was warned of the danger he ran through his own beastliness he should be plotting to trap his own wife with Overbury? But he did; and he got down that Poisonby Fernside thing—an old mistress of his own—to help him in the plot. That man was the cause of

PILE OF FLORAL TRIBUTES.



Immediately following Friday's ceremonial at the Cenotaph, large numbers of wreaths were laid at the base of the memorial by service units, local organisations and private individuals. Some idea of the wealth of the floral tributes to Our Glorious Dead can be gained from the above picture. (Photo: Welcome studio).

OUR CABARET.

NEW SEASON AT THE STAR.

Encores were so numerous at the Star Theatre last night when "Our Cabaret" presented an entirely new revue "Hey, Hey!" that it seemed the show would go on until the early hours of the morning. This high-speed vaudeville company managed to give their entire programme and a large number of other items within their scheduled time and the audience was treated to a swiftly-moving entertainment of all round excellence.

Chief among the items were two sketches "Honeymoon Hall" in which Charles Mason and Muriel Varna played as a newlywed couple striving to appear as an old married couple, and "Tut, Tut" a highly diverting little comedy written by Charles Mason. The latter is noteworthy for its originality and maximum amount of humour.

Singing and dancing also find places in the revue and the artistes now well known to Hongkong acquitted themselves well and produced a vaudeville entertainment of a quality rarely seen here. Charles Mason, Billy Bray and all the others were in good form, while Mlle. Henkina proved a notable addition to the cast, her rendering of excerpts from opera being specially praiseworthy. Miss Aileen Woods sings and dances excellently, one of her best items being "In a Persian Garden."

This new revue will be repeated to-night. It can be recommended as a thoroughly satisfying vaudeville show of well-selected items presented by a company which knows variety entertainment through and through.

On Saturday, a Chinese woman, residing at No. 34 Tai Yuen Street, was sent to the Government Civil Hospital suffering from the effects of a dog bite. The animal belonged to a Chinese living at 151 Queen's Road Central and it has since been removed to Kennedy Town for observation.

Mr. Chai Lai-chuen, a merchant, of 35 West Street, reports the loss of \$278 in money, jewellery and clothing, as a result of a robbery in his house sometime between Saturday and Sunday.

four deaths, and the least of them was his own. Now, Franks, close, what do you think? Was it an execution?"

"I think," said I, "it was an execution; and I should like to know exactly how it was carried out."

"Ah! there I'm afraid I can't satisfy you. I have not heard the details. Poor Vinson was in extremis when I saw him, and it would have been cruelly to try to get anything out of him. But you'll be seeing Quance or Overbury. You can get it all from them."

"Haven't we had enough tragedy?" my wife asked. "I was glad to help to get the poor executioner away. I am very sorry he has died. But now won't that nice chauffeur and Miss Newlands make a match of it?"

I smiled, thinking of the little scene at Highcliff Farm between "Mrs. Briscoe" and her "Boyo." "And won't Lady Merafield and Major Overbury be able to forget the past, and pick up their story where they left it in France?" she went on.

I smiled again. "You're an incurable sentimentalist," I told her. "Yes," said Greene, "ladies do like everything rounded off. But I think you know the answer to both your questions, Mrs. Franks."

(To be Continued.)

LEGALITY OF BILL OF BILL.

SUMMARY COURT ARGUMENT.

Argument as to whether a bill of sale was void or not, took place in the Summary Court this morning before Mr. Justice H. Wood, when the case, concerning a claim for \$1,000 in respect of two motor cars, was continued after having been adjourned from last Monday.

The plaintiff, Ip Pun, proprietor of Messrs. J. Gibbs and Co., motor accessory dealers, is suing Sapoorn Singh and Kartar Singh for \$1,000 damages for the conversion by the defendants to their own use, on September 23 last, of two motor cars in the possession of which the plaintiff claims to be entitled. Mr. L. D. Turner is for the plaintiff and Mr. D. McCallum is defending.

The plaintiff claims to have advanced \$1,000 to the proprietor of the Wanchai garage, before its bankruptcy, on the security of a bill of sale, the schedule of which contained four cars. When the garage went bankrupt the plaintiff found that two of the cars were in the possession of Sapoorn Singh and Kartar Singh, who stated that they had bought them.

Mr. McCallum contended that the bill of sale was void and the case was adjourned for consideration of argument on this point.

This morning, Mr. McCallum again suggested that the bill of sale was void, because it was not in the Statutory form. He had quoted cases at the last hearing when bills more or less identical with the bill in question had been held to be void. The plaintiff was attempting to seize the cars and because the defendants had refused to surrender them, under the plaintiff's supposed power of seizure, he was treating the defendants as having converted the cars to their own use.

Addressing his Lordship on the question of fact, Mr. McCallum said the cars were used in the ordinary course of business. The man was a garage proprietor and invariably such proprietors sold cars, either for the makers, their own account or an agent for owners.

His Lordship remarked that the evidence was that the garage proprietor had never sold cars, and told Mr. McCallum that he thought the only ground he could rely on was law. He added he did not think that Mr. McCallum could convince him (his Lordship) that the transaction was in the ordinary course of the business of a garage proprietor.

Mr. Turner dealt with the subject generally and quoted authorities to show that the bill was not void as offending against the statutory form, and submitted that far from being void the bill was very active.

Judgment was reserved.

VITRIOL THROWING.

A CHINESE GOLDSMITH CHARGED.

A Chinese goldsmith was charged before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistracy, this morning, with throwing a corrosive fluid over a female inmate of 125, Temple Street.

Sub-Inspector Fallon appearing for the prosecution asked for one week's formal remand as the complainant's clothing was sent to the Government Analyst. It was believed that the fluid was vitriol. In reply to his Worship, Inspector Fallon said that there was no actual injury done to the complainant although her clothes were all burned. The defendant was remanded for one week.

MOTOR MISHAP.

COLLISION WITH TRAM CAR.

Mr. H. J. Love, wireless superintendent of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire, was concerned in a motor accident on Saturday. He was driving motor car No. 2269 along Praya East at about 1 p.m. and, when nearing Lun Fat Street, Wanchai, a hand truck suddenly came out of the street and obstructed the road.

Mr. Love had to swerve to avoid a collision and at the same time it was found necessary to stop the car as soon as possible in order to allow the truck to pass. In doing so a tramcar, coming from the opposite direction, struck the motor car and damaged the right mudguard and wheel.

The damage is estimated at \$150. A report has since been made to the police.

BRITISH VAGRANT.

SENT TO HOUSE OF DETENTION.

Thomas Sharpin, a Britisher, was charged this morning before Major C. Willson with being vagrant and a destitute.

Sub-Inspector Elston, prosecuting said that the man had been to prison for disorderly behaviour while he was under the influence of liquor. The defendant had at one time been employed on an American steamer and he had missed his ship. Employment was then found for him on a British vessel, but defendant was too drunk to take up his duties. The Magistrate committed Sharpin to the House of Detention.

FOR BRAVERY AT HANKOW.

BRITISH BLUEJACKET'S AWARD.

Charles H. Lowe, an Able Seaman of H.M.S. Seraph, has been awarded the Royal Humane Society's bronze medal for having saved from drowning, at Hankow, on June 21, Henry G. Webster, a stoker on the same ship, who fell in between the Seraph and the Butterfield & Swire hulk and was being swept down by the current. Lowe slid down a rope and, having got Webster, took him to a small tender, where he was hauled on board by a bowline.

Hugh Grant, a Petty Officer of H.M.S. Despatch, has been awarded the Royal Humane Society's parchment for having saved from drowning, at Chinwangtao, on July 28, William H. Boissonade, a Petty Officer on the same ship, who got into difficulties whilst bathing.

PLOTS IN SUMATRA.

NUMBER OF BOMBS EXPLODE PREMATURELY.

Batavia, Nov. 6. A plot was discovered in the Korintji district, Sumatra, laid by the Contract Labourers' Trading Society "Amsterdam" to create disturbances last night. Nine arrests were made.

In the Siloeng district on the 3rd inst. 40 bombs buried in petroleum bins exploded through spontaneous combustion. There was a similar occurrence on the 4th. There were no people injured and no damage was done.

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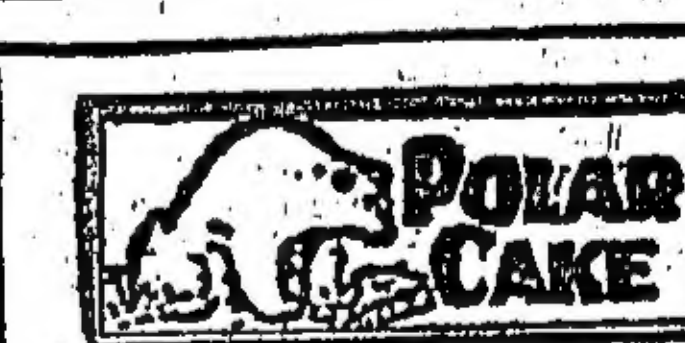
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MAYOR THOMPSON.

DESCRIBED AS "FLAMING DEMAGOGUE."

London, Nov. 13. Michael Faherty, "Big Bill" Thompson of Chicago's right hand man and closest friend, sailed for home to-day after a visit to Europe to study the underground railway systems. Before his departure he informed interviewers that Thompson was "the most open-minded man in the world, who loved England but was trying to make Americans patriotic."

Faherty, who is president of the Board of Local Improvements of Chicago, and who was accompanied by an expert, was apparently enlightened and impressed with what he had seen in England and considers the underground systems wonderful engineering feats, but naturally recognizes the mistakes which occurred and which Chicago will be able to avoid when it starts the contemplated underground.

Faherty's glowing opinion of Thompson is not shared by the ex-Secretary of War, Mr. Newton Baker, who, according to a St. Louis message, told a gathering of University students that "In Chicago a flaming demagogue organized ignorance in the form of from 300,000 to 400,000 blacks and overtook the Municipal Government. I won't say Thompson is the most ignorant man in the world—I don't know everybody—but apparently he is unaware that King George the Third is dead and that there have been other Georges since."—*Reuter.*

INDIAN REFORMS.

PREMIER'S SPEECH HAS A SOBERING EFFECT.

Delhi, Nov. 13. Mr. Baldwin's Guildhall speech on Wednesday has had a sobering effect on Indian opinion, which, when crystallised, is revealing a unanimous welcome for the appointment of a Commission, with unrestricted terms of reference and the ideal chairman.

The bitterness in connexion with the non-inclusion of Indians is gradually subsiding and intentions to co-operate with the Commission are being evinced in the Punjab, north-west provinces, Bengal, Assam and Bombay. Doubtless much will depend on the manner in which the Commission handles its task during the first visit.—*Reuter.*

COMMONWEALTH LINE.

VESSELS TO BE SOLD IMMEDIATELY.

Canberra, Nov. 12. The Commonwealth Government's decision to sell the Commonwealth line of 54 vessels, totalling 170,000 tons, was debated in Parliament. An opposition motion of non-confidence in the Government, was defeated in the House Representatives by 39 votes to 23, after which Mr. Bruce announced that the sale would proceed immediately.—*Reuter.*

A NEW TUNNEL.

NEW YORK AND JERSEY CITY CAUSEWAY.

New York, Nov. 13. President Coolidge in Washington turned a golden key electrically unfurling one flag in New York City and another flag at the Jersey City end of the new Hudson River motor and vehicular tunnel of which engineers have dreamed for a generation.

The Governors of New York and New Jersey and representatives of other municipalities interested participated in the inaugurative functions. Prominent among the celebrants was Mrs. Clifford Holland, the widow of the engineer who projected the tunnel and after whom it is named.

The tunnel has two tubes for incoming and outgoing traffic respectively. Its length is 9,250 feet and its cost \$18,000,000. The air in the tunnel will be changed forty times an hour. Policemen every few feet will expedite the traffic.—*Reuter's American Service.*

A NEW TREATY.

SINO-SPANISH COMMERCIAL PACT ABROGATED.

Peking, Nov. 12. The Generalissimo issued an order to-night abrogating the Sino-Spanish commercial treaty of October 10, 1864. It appears that following the expiration of the treaty on November 10 and the failure to reach agreement regarding a new treaty, the Spanish minister endeavored to secure an extension of the old treaty till negotiations regarding the new one are completed, but it is understood the Chinese Government would not agree and decided to declare the treaty null and void, unless the Spanish minister agreed to their terms for a new treaty to-night, which, seemingly, the Spanish minister refused to do.—*Reuter.*

Peking, Nov. 13. Chang Tso-lin's order instructs the Manchianpu to conclude a new treaty as speedily as possible on the basis of equality and mutual respect for territorial sovereignty.—*Reuter.*

CHINA'S ASPIRATIONS.

PROFESSOR SOOTHILL ON CHANGE OF SPIRIT.

London, Nov. 12. "China awaits sterling friendship, even the warlords are open to patriotic appeal and the best Nationalists are sick with grief at the disappointment of patriotic desire," declared Professor Soothill, ex-Principal of the Imperial University of Shansi and now Professor of Chinese at Oxford University, speaking at the Oxford Luncheon Club. He suggested that Britain and the United States should bring their united wisdom and experience to bear on China and harmonise their policies.—*Reuter.*

AGAINST SOVIET.

REDS' PLAN TO QUASH OPPOSITION.

London, Nov. 13. Reports from Russia show that on the occasion of the recent tenth anniversary of the revolution Trotskyite speakers were pelted with goloshes and other missiles. A proclamation of the Central Committee of the Communist Party prescribing measures to be taken against "illegal anti-Soviet street actions," declares that opposition speakers should be "immediately expelled" from non-party meetings and illegal meetings "dissolved with forces of communist organisation and workers."—*Reuter.*

Bloodshed Certain?

Riga, Nov. 13. According to opinions obtained from various parts of Russia, the committee's instructions must result in bloodshed.—*Reuter.*

Against Communism.

Hague, Nov. 13. Eighteen countries were represented at the opening meeting of the Council of the International Association against Communism. The Council unanimously passed a resolution inviting all Governments to prevent "criminal" communist programmes.—*Reuter.*

RADIO CONFERENCE.

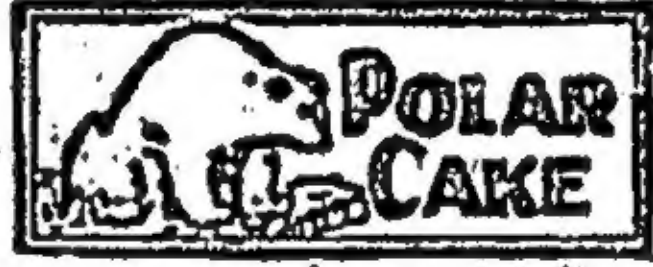
AGREEMENT REACHED ON ARBITRATION.

Washington, Nov. 13. The Radio Conference has agreed to the inclusion of an unconditional compulsory arbitration clause for the settlement of any international dispute arising. The Radio Convention Delegation last week favoured the existing optional arbitration clause of Government hitherto in treaties and conventions stipulating arbitration has always excepted disputes involving national honour and independence.—*Reuter's American Service.*

HIGH SEA SEIZURE.

RULING GIVEN BY THE FEDERAL COURT.

New Orleans, Nov. 13. Ruling that persons seized on the high seas should be tried at the port to which they were first taken, the Federal Court ordered the release of the crew of the British ship Zany, alleged to have \$75,000 worth of liquor on board and taken to Mobile immediately after the seizure.—*Reuter's American Service.*



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AVIATION.

GERMAN SEAPLANE TURNS TURTLE IN AZORES.

Lisbon, Nov. 13. The German seaplane D1220 while taking off for Newfoundland capsized. It was towed into the harbour. The crew were uninjured.—*Reuter's American Service.*

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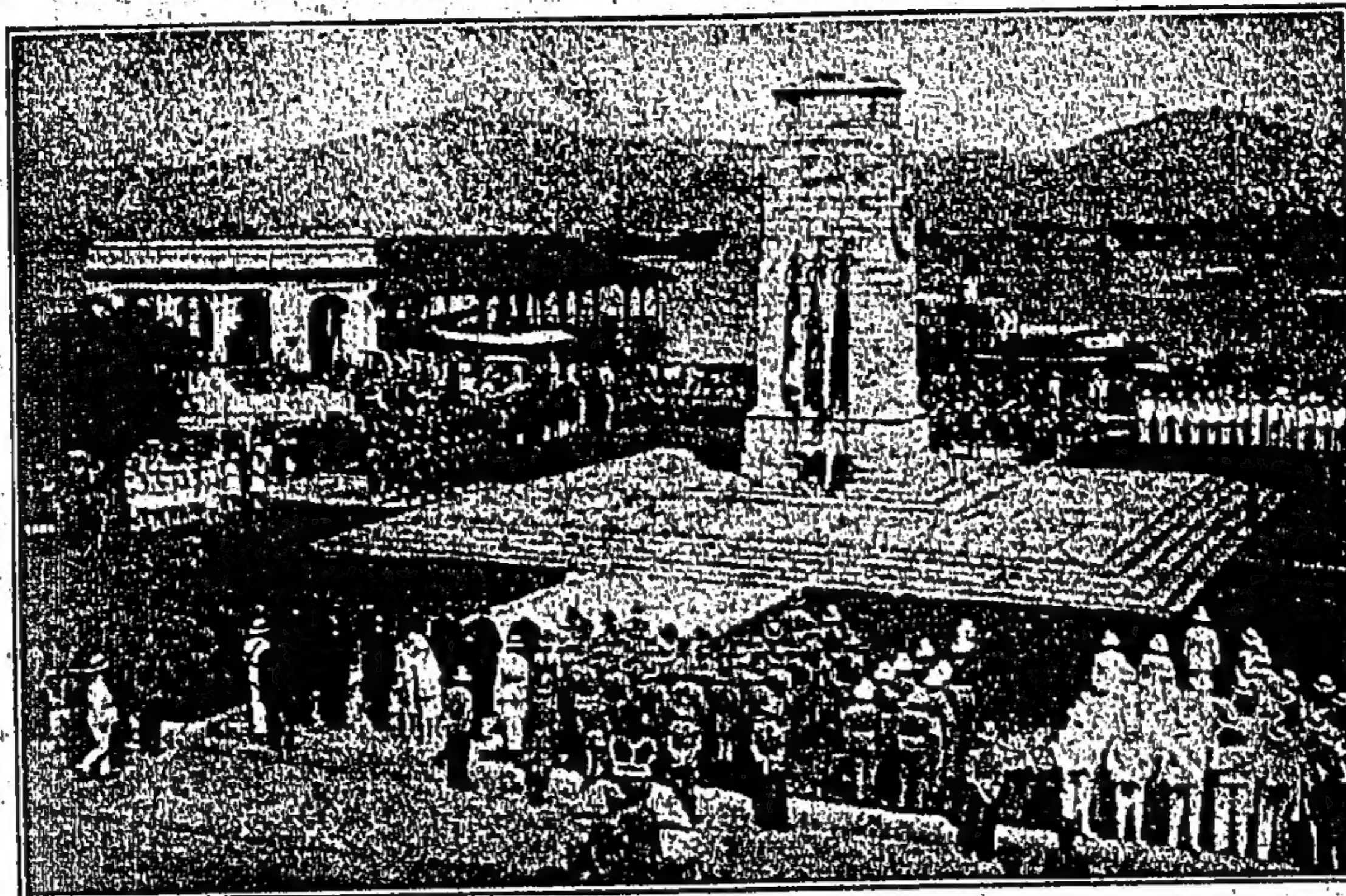
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HUNAN UNREST.

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Communists Not Dealt With.

All this is to the good and the government is to be congratulated on so soon restoring apparent peace and order, but disturbing signs are not lacking. First, no one trusts Tang Seng-chi, or has any confidence in his revolutionary principles or military integrity. He will probably try to hold Changsha, in case his plans for Central China fail, but no one thinks that he would not, for his own advantage, sacrifice his party or his province. It is said that he has been asked by Ho Chien to retire, and he may not be unwilling to take the hint as he has made a good deal out of Hunan during his year of office. Again, none of the Communist leaders have been brought to account. Insignificant subordinates have perished and the government is making a great show of its activities against the movement, but the leaders themselves are at large and more or less openly working. Chuan San, the oldest revolutionary society which is known to have trained some of the most violent extremists last April, has just obtained "permanent headquarters" from the government. Moreover, the merciless taxation is steadily driving away all the former wealthy families and merchants. The land has in most cases been given back to the owners, but in spite of the good harvest, they receive almost nothing from it. A landowner told me recently that out of 200 tan of rice, the government took 100; the farmer 25; taxes for education of peasants' children came to five and 20 had to be put aside for next year. The 50 tan left were sent into the city to be sold, but before they reached the market, more than 70 had been spent on military taxes, liquor, market dues, etc. As unhusked rice sells for \$1.50 a tan, the owner made just \$10 on the whole transaction. In the city taxes have already been paid to two different governments this year, and now the taxes for the next two years have been collected.

Secret Meetings of Farmers.

Conditions are even worse in the country. Bands of brigands, most of them soldiers who have deserted with their arms, roam about, plundering, killing, and holding for ransom. In the south of the province a force of more than 500 men goes from place to place, seizing the population of a whole city and holding them in terror till enough money has been collected. In many country places the organization of the Farmers' Union is still complete, and men meet in secret from time to time. At Liling recently, a group of men drove out the magistrate in the name of Communism, and this was believed to be the beginning of a widespread plot. There seems no doubt in the minds of the people that the Communists are working and cannot effectively be suppressed.

HARBOUR ROBBERY.

MASTER ROBBED OF £55.

A robbery was perpetrated on Friday last on board the Bank Line vessel Tihow, as a result of which the thief or thieves got away with £55 in money belonging to the Captain of the steamer. From the accounts received it would appear that the Captain of the vessel went ashore to spend the evening with friends and returned to his boat shortly after midnight. To his surprise, he found that his cabin had been broken into, and that his safe had been rifled. A report of the affair has since been made to the police.

STABILITY FOR ALL
AEROPLANES.AUTOMATIC DEVICE TO BE
TESTED.

London, Nov. 13.

Sir Samuel Hoare, the Air Minister, and a party of Air Ministry technical experts, will make an exhaustive test of the new Handley-Page automatic slotted wing device, at Cricklewood, on Friday next. The slotted wing device in its present form renders it practically impossible for an aeroplane to stall—the most prevalent cause of disaster.

In the original form, some years ago, it was operated at will, but the latest development makes it automatic in operation.

Aeronautical experts consider it to be the most important step forward made in aeronautical design since the war.—British Wireless.

18 PERISH AS SHIP
SINKS.A PHILIPPINES ISLAND
TRAGEDY.

Eighteen passengers and crew aboard a small boat are believed to have perished in the sea when the craft sank off the coast of Burgos, Ilocos Norte on the night of November 4. This is according to a constabulary report from the provincial commander of Ilocos Norte.

The boat sailed from Laag and was bound for Claveria when heavy squalls caught it near Burgos. Unable to weather the rough sea, the vessel sank with the passengers and crew, the report says. The coast of Ilocos Norte were patrolled by constabulary soldiers, and outgoing vessels were notified of the disaster, according to the provincial commander.—Manila Bulletin.

STILL AT LARGE.

ESCAPED CONVICTS ELUDE
CAPTURE.

The search for the four convicts who escaped from the Gaol on Thursday afternoon was continued during the week-end, and a number of raids were carried out at likely haunts frequented by criminal characters.

No results have been obtained, the official statement made this morning being to the effect that the men are still at large.

STEAMERS COLLIDE.

BOTH SLIGHTLY DAMAGED.

Oslo, Nov. 13.

The Norwegian steamer Tysla, from Calcutta, and the Swedish steamer Nanking, from Vladivostok, have put in here, damaged in a collision.—Reuter.

CHICAGO HOTEL FIRE.

WOMAN AND CHILDREN
KILLED.

Chicago, Nov. 13.

Eight women and 13 children were killed and injured in a fire at a fashionable hotel. Many were trapped on the third floor, and the flames roaring up the lift shaft.—Reuter's American Service.

DAY BY DAY.

Theft of clothing valued at \$233 is reported by the owner of cargo junk No. 126. The clothing was kept in the hold of the junk which was padlocked but the thief managed to prise open the hatch cover.

A Chinese girl aged three, was sent to the Kowloon Hospital yesterday suffering from injuries to her left leg, caused by being run over by an empty earth truck at the reclamation in Kowloon City Road.

Mr. L. A. dos Remedios, residing at No. 6, Austin Road, reports that at 4 p.m. on Saturday while riding motor cycle No. 941 in Nathan Road, near Yaumati School, a Chinese boy ran across the road and was knocked down, receiving injuries to his head, face and legs. The youth was taken to the Kwong Wah Hospital.

The body of a Chinese coolie was picked up from the Harbour, near the Kowloon City reclamation, and sent to the Kowloon Mortuary yesterday. It has since been established that the man belonged to "Lighter" No. 32 of the Netherlands Harbour Works and that he fell into the sea two days ago while in the act of stepping ashore from the lighter.

SINGAPORE ACCIDENT.

DR. C. E. SMITH KNOCKED
DOWN BY CAR.

While alighting from a motor bus in East Coast Road on Sunday afternoon last, Dr. Clarence E. Smith, an assistant surgeon at the General Hospital was knocked down by a car and is at present in the General Hospital with a fracture of the smaller bone of his left leg. He had one foot only on the ground when the bus hit him, and although his other leg was injured, the bone was not broken.

It is expected that Dr. Smith will be an inmate of the hospital for five or six weeks. The driver of the car has been arrested and charged with causing hurt by a rash act.

The case was mentioned in the Second Police Court on the following morning and the accused remanded on bail of \$500.

HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?

The following are the replies to to-day's questions:

1. France. 2. Station. 3. Future event as it had already occurred. 4. "Two brothers and the murdered man rode on to Florence." 5. Miss Emma Carr. 6. Heart, belly, leaves and acorns. 7. Voltaire in "Candide." 8. Lorenzetti—Limassol, Cyprus. 9. The Poor Clare Cellars. 10. H. H. Vener Broke of Sarawak. 11. From the Infanta of Castile, who married John of Gaunt. The common people found the pronunciation difficult. 12. Oliver Lytton. 13. Fifty-nine. 14. "The Hunting of the Snark," by Lewis Carroll.

Lady Gerald Wellesley had a narrow escape when a flat below that which she occupies in Mount-street, Park-lane, caught fire early one recent morning. She and other occupants of the building had to leave in their night clothes. The fire was in the lower part of the house, and it spread rapidly to the upper floor, Lady Gerald Wellesley's flat being involved. The two persons who had the narrowest escapes were a nursemaid and a little girl, who just managed to get out of their bedroom in time. A few minutes later flames were coming out of the doorways, and up the stairs from the rooms below. The fire brigade were quickly at work and soon put the fire out.

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